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## "ROBBER" CAVE.

RAD CHARACTER FOUND IN  
KOWLOON.

TWO HOMELESS WAIFS.

By making their home in a cave  
in the centre of "civilisation"—  
a group of Kowloon bad characters  
have departed from what are  
usually considered to be the  
usual methods of local thugs.

It is not known how long they  
have been immune but the long  
arm of the law has now got in its  
grip a well-known criminal who  
will not be able to prowl about  
Kowloon for at least twelve  
months.

This man had been reported from  
the Straits on three occasions.  
After two convictions in Hong-  
kong, he was also banished from  
this colony.

One afternoon this week, the  
Mongkok Police paid a surprise  
visit to this cavity, which is close  
to No. 7 Bridge of the Kowloon-  
Canton Railway and is situated be-  
tween Mongkut and Yaumatei.  
Flashing their torchlights inside,  
the police found the man and two  
boys. Outside the very small en-  
trance a knife was picked up but  
could not be associated with the  
cave dwellers.

The small boys told the officers  
that they had no place to live and  
had therefore made their abode in  
the hole. A suspicion is that they  
were going through a course of  
become-pickpockets. At any rate,  
the police have found their rela-  
tives who have taken the "waifs"  
back.

No actual crime could be brought  
against the man. On the charge  
of returning from banishment he  
was sentenced to a year's hard  
labour. Meanwhile the police are  
believed to be on the lookout for  
the jailbirds' colleagues who were  
absent from their home when the  
visit was paid.

## ILLICIT OPIUM.

"SUI AN" DESPATCH BOX  
FOUND.

"PURSER IMPLICATED."

The discovery of 40 tacks of  
illicit opium in a despatch box  
belonging to the s.s. "Sui An" had  
a sequel before Mr. R. E. Lindsell  
at the Central Magistracy this  
morning when the purser, J. F.  
Azevedo, was charged with unlaw-  
fully having the drug on board  
the vessel.

A Chinese seaman who was  
alleged to have been actually  
carrying the box in a tram car  
was also charged in the same  
case.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for  
the defence of the purser and the  
other man was not legally repre-  
sented. Mr. R. A. Wadson was  
present to watch proceedings on  
behalf of the owners of the  
vessel, the Hongkong, Canton and  
Macao Steamboat Company.

On an application by Mr.  
d'Almada for a date to be fixed  
for hearing, both the defendants  
were remanded until 11.30 a.m. on  
Tuesday. Azevedo was allowed  
bail of \$1,000 and in the case  
of the other man the amount was  
\$5,000.

## DOG BITES.

THREE CANES REPORTED  
YESTERDAY.

Three dogs were seized and sent  
to Kennedy Town yesterday, a per-  
son being attacked in each case and  
treatment given at the Government  
Civil Hospital.

A Japanese named T. Mizue was  
bitten by a dog said to belong to  
Mr. Douglas Paul, chief engineer  
of the s.s. "Tonkin."

In the second case the victim was  
the four-year old son of Mr. H.  
Rozario, of No. 2, St. Joseph's Ter-  
race, Glenelg. The animal be-  
longed to the house.

The last case was provided by a  
dog belonging to Mr. Eldon Potter,  
of No. 373, The Peak. A P.W.D.  
coolie was bitten while he was pass-  
ing the bungalow. The coolie was  
treated by Mrs. Potter and later  
sent to hospital.

## COMPANY DIVIDEND.

The "China Mail" is informed by  
Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. that  
the dividend to be paid by the  
Company, subject to audit, will be  
39 cents per share.

## UNOFFICIAL MISSION.

CHINESE MERCHANTS GO TO  
CANTON.

CANTON'S DELEGATES.

Although details are not given,  
considerable significance is at-  
tached in the vernacular papers to  
the visit to Canton of three  
Hongkong Chinese merchants,  
whose mission is stated to be in  
connection with the settlement of  
the boycott.

These three merchants have  
been prominent in the movements  
by the Association of District  
Commercial Guilds of Hongkong.  
They were previously in Canton  
with the unofficial delegations.

One report says that they were  
taken by Mr. Kan Kum-shue to  
interview an official of the Canton  
Government.

It should also be noted that  
when Chinese merchant delegates  
last visited Canton as unofficial  
peace mediators, their movements  
were made public. There has  
been no announcement this time,  
nor has there been any com-  
munication—even strictly un-  
official—as to the purpose of their  
trip or their status.

In Canton the consensus of  
opinion is supposed to be in  
favour of an early peace. A  
quarter identified with labour is  
quoted as having indicated that  
the matter had best be left to the  
Canton Government. From this  
it is presumed, says the same re-  
port, that the Canton Government  
is of the opinion that the best in-  
terests would be served by its  
active participation in the "four-  
parties."

A Canton vernacular paper at-  
tributes to a labour representa-  
tive the statement that the boy-  
cott committee will not seek a  
part in the proposed conference.

The names of Dr. C. C. Wu, Mr.  
T. V. Soong and Mr. Chan Kung-  
pok are freely mentioned as the  
delegates to act for Canton. A  
private communication from Can-  
ton, dated Sunday, attributes to  
the mercantile leaders a desire to  
get all three, or any one or two of  
the officials named, to visit Macao,  
as the first step toward the nego-  
tiations; but the writer qualifies  
this information by adding that he  
did not know whether the propo-  
sal had been put forward.

A Chinese firm of sugar mer-  
chants in Hongkong yesterday  
received instructions (from its  
Canton branch) that shipments  
via Shanghai be suspended, also  
that unless the Shanghai market  
was especially favourable, pur-  
chases should not be made there  
for ultimate disposal in Canton.  
This is merely given as a hint  
as to the direction in which the  
wind is veering, and not to  
designate that there is any sub-  
stantial ground for assuming a  
definite trend in developments.

## "Through" Trains Again?

As from to-morrow, there will  
be an improved train service be-  
tween Hongkong and Canton—an  
improvement which will be much  
appreciated by Chinese travellers.

Hitherto, the trains of the  
Chinese section (of the Canton-  
Kowloon Railway) have come  
down as far as Samshui, whence  
passengers must get off to walk  
across the bridge and, it is  
alleged, sometimes have to  
"arrange" with the boycott  
pickets to pass through to Lowu,  
where the British section trains  
stop.

The new arrangement is that  
the Chinese train will run over the  
bridge (into British territory) to  
Lowu. It is understood that the  
Chinese management would run  
their train straight down to the  
Kowloon terminus were it not for  
their shortage of rolling stock.

Each day the Canton train is  
expected to arrive at Lowu about  
12.15 p.m. An express (1st, 2nd  
and 3rd class) will leave Kowloon  
at 11.42 a.m. to meet this train  
for the double object of bringing  
on the Canton traffic, and sending  
the passengers for Canton (via  
the Chinese train). The Kowloon  
express should arrive at Lowu at  
12.22 p.m., which is ample time  
as the Canton up-train does not  
leave Lowu till 1.15 p.m. Canton  
passengers should be in Kowloon  
by about 2.30 p.m. The up-  
train should arrive at Tai-sha-  
tau before sunset.

Two cases of enteric fever were  
notified yesterday. One patient  
was a Chinese and the other a  
Japanese.

## LAUNCH.

NEW GOVERNMENT VESSEL  
NO. 4 POLICE.

Yesterday afternoon Messrs.  
W. S. Bailey & Co. launch-  
ed from their shipbuilding  
yard a new Government vessel  
known as No. 4 Police intended for  
special patrol duty in the vicinity  
of the Colony.

The vessel was suitably decorat-  
ed and the interesting ceremony  
of christening was bravely per-  
formed by little Miss King who  
has not yet attained her fifth  
year of age.

On the given signal the boat  
started down the ways and in a  
few brief moments gracefully took  
the water, amid a fusillade of  
crackers and much cheering.

Amongst those present at the  
happy gathering may be men-  
tioned—

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr.  
P. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. T. H.  
King and daughter, Mr. D.  
Burlingham, Mr. C. G. Perdue, Mr.  
and Mrs. L. H. V. Booth, Mr. J.  
Jack.

After the ceremony, the party  
retired to the office of the com-  
pany where light refreshments  
were served and many expressions  
of good wishes and good feeling  
made for the general welfare of  
the boat and her constructions.

Mr. Mendham said:—Ladies  
and Gentlemen, on behalf of  
the firm of W. S. Bailey & Co., it  
is my pleasant duty to thank you  
all for coming here this afternoon  
to help us out with the ceremony  
of launching the first of a new  
class of vessel that is to be occu-  
pied by our Government in the in-  
terests of the Colony.

In particular we specially wish  
to thank the little lady here who  
has so bravely performed, perhaps  
the most important part of that  
ceremony, by christening the ship  
with her own fair hands.

That the boat has been success-  
fully floated is a gratifying ac-  
complishment, because it repre-  
sents the first step in her career,  
and as all first steps, which a well-  
known French idiom tells us are  
the hardest, we may take it, that  
all those to follow, will be easier  
overcome.

It is therefore only fitting that  
some mark of appreciation should  
accompany our thanks, and it is  
with much pleasure that we ask  
our little helper to accept a small  
token of regard for her labours  
which will always remind her of  
the pleasant ordeal of christening  
her first ship.

Another pleasant duty the occa-  
sion affords is an opportunity to  
thank the staff of W. S. Bailey  
& Co. who have been responsible  
for the design and construction of  
the vessel and who, without ex-  
ception, have given their best to  
make her a success.

In addition to the efforts of our  
staff we have received consider-  
able assistance from the Govern-  
ment Marine Surveyors office in  
the person of Mr. Hall and Mr.  
Taylor, both of whom have taken  
a keen interest in all the details.

I make no apology for the ab-  
sence of our Chief, Mr. W. S.  
Bailey who, as you are aware is  
much better occupied with the  
more interesting position of being  
homeward bound on a visit to the  
Old Country.

With these few words, ladies  
and gentlemen, I will now ask you  
to drink to the success of the  
new vessel "No. 4 Police" and  
wish her a long life of hard work  
in the accomplishment of her  
purpose, for which she has been  
created.

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe in re-  
plying on behalf of the guest  
said:—Ladies and gentlemen, Mr.  
Mendham and Mr. Goodwin, it  
is with much pleasure that I rise  
to respond to the welcome ac-  
corded to us by W. S. Bailey and  
Co. on the occasion of the launch-  
ing of our new vessel "No. 4  
Police."

In watching the proceedings  
this afternoon, with the experi-  
ence of similar events, I was very  
much struck with the organisation  
and smooth working of the whole  
ceremony, the performance of  
which as all of us are aware is  
always a difficult and anxious  
task. I must say that I have  
never seen it done better and I  
heartily congratulate the builders  
on the success of the launch and  
on the excellent vessel they have  
produced for the Police Service  
of Hongkong. There is every rea-  
son to believe that the larger type  
of boat we have now embarked on  
will live up to our expectation and  
as time goes on others like her

## NO BARS.

APPROVED PLANS NOT  
FOLLOWED.

A BUILDING CASE.

An important legal point was  
argued by Mr. L. D. Turner at  
the Kowloon Magistracy this  
morning in connection with a  
prosecution under the Building  
Ordinance, which resulted in a  
fine being reduced by \$100.

The case concerned Chau Tat-  
shing, a contractor, who had been  
fined a total of \$500 by Mr.  
J. H. B. Nihill for divergence  
from plan in five cases in the  
erection of four houses on Kow-  
loon Island Lot 1691 on the  
"Kowloon City Road."

Mr. P. C. Morgan, of the  
P.W.D., who prosecuted in the  
case when it was first heard,  
stated that in the course of his  
duties he inspected the erection of  
the houses and discovered that re-  
inforcing bars had been omitted  
from the reinforced concrete  
floors. He pointed out that if he  
had not made the inspection the  
concrete would have been poured  
in and it would have been impos-  
sible to know what amount of steel  
reinforcement had been put in.

Mr. Turner (for the contractor)  
contended that the divergence in  
each case was the same and point-  
ed out that under the Ordinance  
the maximum fine for each spec-  
ific divergence was \$200. The  
Magistrate agreed with counsel's  
arguments and, two plans being  
involved in the charges, he alter-  
ed the fines to \$200 on each, or a  
total of \$400.

## RAIN—FOG.

The report of the Royal Obser-  
vatory published at 11.45 a.m.  
states:

Pressure has increased con-  
siderably from N.E. China to S.  
Manchuria, and moderately from  
the Dornis to central Japan. It is  
nearly stationary from the Visayas  
to Guam and has decreased slightly  
to moderately elsewhere.

The anticyclone is now central to  
the south of the Bonins. The  
Manchurian depression is moving  
eastward.

A trough of low pressure is  
shown from the Bashi Channel to  
the Pelow Islands.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24  
hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00  
inch. Total since January 1, 8.68  
inches, against an average of 7.39  
inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending  
at noon to-morrow.—S. E. or  
variable winds; light; overcast;  
rain, fog.

will, we hope, follow later to fill  
the gap in Messrs. W. S. Bailey's  
Yard the No. 4 Police has just  
produced.

Mr. King, who suitably respond-  
ed on behalf of his daughter,  
said:—Messrs. W. S. Bailey and  
Co. Mr. Mendham and Mr. Good-  
win, I rise to thank you heartily  
for the kind thought and appropri-  
ate souvenir you have bestowed  
on my little daughter, and also  
for the generous welcome you ac-  
corded to us all. Like my friend  
Mr. Wolfe I also have been great-  
ly impressed with the whole cer-  
emony and the order of its ar-  
rangement. The stately manner  
in which the new vessel left the  
ways and entered the water could  
only fill one with admiration and  
confidence in the good firm who  
were responsible for her making.  
Thank you gentlemen.

In reply, Mr. Mendham said,  
ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Wolfe  
and Mr. King—I have to thank  
you for all the kind remarks you  
have extended to my firm and its  
officers. While we appreciate  
that the proceedings you have wit-  
nessed this afternoon must neces-  
sarily appear to the lay mind easy  
and simple in their order it would  
only be fair to ourselves to say  
that behind the apparent ease and  
simplicity there are always, on  
the part of those responsible on  
these occasions feelings of deep  
concern, and I am disclosing no  
trade secret when I tell you that  
myself and my officers experienced  
a natural sense of deep relief  
when the good ship was seen safe-  
ly afloat and free from the many  
chances of mishap that lurk be-  
hind a launching ceremony.

The proceedings then termi-  
nated.

## COAL CRISIS.

WAGE REDUCTIONS TO BE  
RESISTED.

GLOOMY OUTLOOK.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 8.

It is understood that the Ex-  
ecutive of the Miners' Federation  
has decided to reject the coal  
owners' proposals and recommend  
the special conference of miners'  
delegates to-morrow to refuse  
district settlements and wage  
reductions.

## NO PRECIPITATE ACTION.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 8.

There has been some develop-  
ment of the coal situation to-day.  
As a preliminary to the  
National Conference of miners'  
delegates, which is to be held to-  
morrow, the Executive of the  
Miners' Federation met the In-  
dustrial Committee of the Trade  
Union Congress in which all  
trades unions are represented.  
There was much frank discussion  
at this meeting.

Although the Committee of the  
Trades Union Congress is merely  
advisory, it must necessarily have  
a considerable influence on the  
attitude of the miners. It was,  
therefore, not without significance  
that the Committee of the Trades  
Union Congress counselled the  
miners' Executive against any  
precipitate or spectacular action.  
It emphasised that the rejection  
of the Coal Commission's report,  
or a mere desire to pick and  
choose what should be accepted  
and what should be rejected,  
would only tend to prejudice the  
miners' case in public opinion.

The miners' Executive, upon  
leaving the Trades Union Con-  
gress Committee, considered at  
their offices the policy to adopt.

## Decision Reached.

It was afterward announced by  
Mr. A. J. Cook General Secretary,  
that the Executive had reached a  
decision, which would be com-  
municated to the miners' National  
Conference to-morrow. The  
nature of this decision was not  
stated.

Well informed labour corre-  
spondents, however, understand  
that the Executive is proceeding  
with caution, and will give a lead  
to the miners' conference which  
will leave the door as wide open  
as possible.

The issues before the con-  
ference will be wages and re-or-  
ganisation. The coal owners' pro-  
posals on these matters are  
stated to be indefinite and lack-  
ing in clearness, and there are  
substantial grounds for believing  
that the Executive will recom-  
mend to the miners' conference  
that a more definite and precise  
interpretation of these proposals  
shall first be sought.

## OWNERS' PROPOSALS.

In a cable dated April 1 it was  
stated:

The official statement of the  
coal owners' proposals on the  
Royal Commission's report ap-  
pends replies to the Commission's  
recommendations ad seriatim.  
The replies to a large extent ex-  
press agreement with or acquies-  
cence in the recommendations, in-  
cluding a willingness to engage  
in national as against district dis-  
cussions, which they strongly ad-  
vocated.

The owners are of opinion that  
the recommendation for a State  
ownership of minerals is a Parlia-  
mentary question.

They recognise that the miners  
will not entertain a proposal for  
longer hours and they therefore  
wish to discuss the recommenda-  
tion that the definition of work-  
ing time be weekly instead of  
daily and a greater flexibility in  
working hours.

The owners consider that the  
most urgent matter is a settle-  
ment of the minimum percentage  
on the basis of rates and the  
amount of the subsistence wage  
in each district.

## TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar,  
on demand, to-day was 2/8 1/16.







## PEACE PLAN FAILS.

KUOMINCHUN GENERAL MAKING NO CONCESSIONS.

## DEMANDS FOR MONEY.

Peking, March 31.

All responsible authorities here are convinced that the peace efforts of Mr. Wang Shih-chien the Premier, are wholly futile, since the Kuomintang Commander, General Lu Chang-hua, is offering no terms and making no concession. The latter does not intend to make a serious stand here, but is steadily withdrawing his troops towards Kailan and will evacuate Peking, when the position becomes untenable, without serious resistance.

Meanwhile the Kuomintang are devoting their energies to the acquisition of all available silver in the capital. The Chinese banks and chambers of commerce are offering sums totalling approximately \$1,000,000, but since the loan proposed by Ho Teh-hsin, Minister of Finance, was a failure, Lu Chang-hua wants the seven millions reserved of the salt money and the public treasury.

Peking troops are daily evacuating the troops via Nankow, with an average of 500 men each and their impedimenta. The Third Kuomintang army are supposed to go north via the Tsing river valley to Hsiao-hai, but their movement is slow, since the troops prefer the hospitality of the hill temples and monasteries to hard marches. The fifth Kuomintang, under General Fang Chien-shan, which arrived by the Peking-Hankow Railway at Chongchun a few days ago, are now at Hsiao-hai, strong, constituting a new menace to the city, since those Shantung deserters are an unruly lot. The Kuomintang's and Chang Ching-chang's troops have all been sent forward by Lu Chang-hua beyond Nankow for fear they should make peace and turn over to the enemy.

The ex-Tupan of Homan, Sun Tzu, is reported in Kailan, occupying for the disposition of his Table.

The Tanchow garrison, formerly composed of the uncertain fifth division, but replaced by Lu Chang-hua's troops, are now skimming with the Fengtien vanguards within hearing of Tanchow, while heavy fighting is reported northwest of that city, where a strong Fengtien column is driving towards Nankow to intercept the Kuomintang retreat.

At local headquarters it is admitted that Tanchow has been lost to a Fengtien column, which is now advancing on Changchow.

South of Peking the Tapan of Chihli, Li Ching-shin's scouts are at Huangtsun, but they are not heavily attacking.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu has made no answer to Wang Shih-chien's peace circulars, obviously thinking that conversation useless with Lu Chang-hua, who is still loyal to Marshal Feng and working under his auspices.

The Reds are strongly in favour of the withdrawal of the Kuomintang and the avoidance of further risk of its defeat and dissolution.

Ho Teh-hsin's removal from the Ministry of Finance is urgently sought by all conservative members of the Government since the rupture with Sir Francis Aclen, but Ho Teh-hsin is now Lu Chang-hua's collector, so he is desperately endeavouring to replace both Sir Francis Aclen and Sir Ernest Williams with any unscrupulous foreigners who would be willing to release funds. He, therefore, feels secure and is contemptuous of the opinion of Cabinet and Chief Executive alike.—Rodney Gilbert in "N. C. D. News."

## MUKDEN PLANS.

Mukden, March 31.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin returned here at 7 o'clock this morning.

According to apparently authentic information at the conference recently held at Chinwan-tiao of military leaders of the Fengtien action, the following points were decided on:

(1) With a view to energetic action to seize Peking, General Li Ching-shin shall be appointed as Commander-in-Chief of the allied troops at the front.

(2) The status quo of Chihli Province shall be maintained for the present with Cha Yu-pu as Acting Tupan, to be stationed at Meichang, and Li Shuang-kui as Civil Governor of Chihli.

(3) Spheres of influence shall be allotted to Generals Li Ching-shin, Kou Ying-chieh, Chin Yun-ao as well as to several meritorious leaders of the Fengtien troops such as Ma Chun and Wan Fu-sha.

At the conference referred to, it was agreed that measures respecting the retirement or otherwise of the Chief Executive, Marshal Tann, and the formation of a Cabinet should be discussed at Mukden later.

That General Li Ching-shin has not been accorded any distinct sphere of influence in Chihli is said to be due to other plans in Marshal Chang's mind. It is rumoured that he thinks of appointing General Li either Commander-in-Chief of the

## SOVIET'S COFFIN.

SHORTLY TO BE NAILED DOWN IN CHINA.

## MOSCOW AND FENG.

The Harbin correspondent of the "Shanghai Mercury" writes on March 24:—

Marshal Wu Pei-fu having declared in a communication that he proposes convening a representative National Assembly for the purpose of bringing into existence a legal central government, and Marshal Chang Tso-lin having affirmed that he has no desire to take a prominent part in the formation of the new government except desiring to remove every vestige of Bolshevism from China, it is generally believed in Harbin that the lid on the coffin of Soviet activities in the Chinese Republic will shortly be nailed and the coffin itself given an unostentatious burial.

There is considerable perturbation visible in Soviet circles in Harbin and all the so-called "commercial agents" of Moscow have been holding conferences day in and day out these past couple of weeks. In view of the fact, that the mills in Russia are not even able to fill the domestic demand for goods, it is not difficult to conclude that not all the "commercial agents" of the Soviet government are what they are represented to be.

That they should be highly nervous under the impending wholesale collapse of the Nationalists is only to be expected for with a united China against them, the Soviet government and its agents out here will have to look for fresh bullets. Moreover, the seizure of the Volunteer Fleet steamer "Oleg" off Taku by the Fengtien navy after the discovery was made that the vessel was loaded to the gunwales with arms and ammunition, will not help the Reds at all in their professions of friendship for the Chinese nation.

Moscow is said to have invited the so-called Christian General and his suite to escape into Russia and it is thought likely that Feng Yu-shiang will accept this invitation. According to a Mukden report, he has just announced that he would proceed to Europe, via Russia, and that he has definitely decided to withdraw from politics. It is generally believed here, however, that Moscow is about the furthest point the worthy Marshal would go and it is considered even likely that he would attempt, whilst there, to reorganise his movement against Chang Tso-lin and Wu Pei-fu.

There is a mournful tone apparent in the vituperations of the Soviet Press against the Imperialistic Powers and their recent ultimatum to Peking, but amongst the non-Reds jubilation reigns supreme over the prospect of the early passing of the Bolsheviks in China.

It is given out that a joint attack would be made in due course against Canton and it is considered certain that in the South also the deathknell of Bolshevism will be sounded, thereby depriving Comrade Borodin of his advisory post with the Cantonese "government."

## FUNERAL.

MR. PERERA LAID TO REST.

Friends of the late Mr. L. Stanley Perera paid their last respects at the Roman Catholic cemetery last evening when the remains were laid to rest. The Rev. Father Valva officiating. The Tramway Company, for whom the deceased had worked as a volunteer during the strike, was represented by Mr. A. Gillard. The China Light and Power Company (deceased's employers) were represented by Mr. Noel Braga.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. Robert Shewan, Mr. A. L. Shields, the China Light and Power Co. (1918) Ltd., Hongkong Tramways Ltd., Sheriff Bros., Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Gomes, Miss Hopwar and Miss Robinson, Mrs. M. Steel, Miss Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Becker, Messrs. F. F. Barretto, G. H. Blok, A. Samy, S. L. M. Salley, N. A. Reid, A. S. Ismail, G. A. Charles, Noel Braga, and P. Chand.

"What's Blank like?" "I don't know much about him, but my impression is that he'd make a first-class stranger."

Metropolitan Forces or Minister of War.—Eastern N.A.

Peking, March 30.

A telegram from the neutral Peace Delegation, which recently went from here to Tientsin, states that the Delegation arrived there on March 20, but so far they have not been able to see either General Li Ching-shin or General Chang Chung-chang.—Reuter.

## BOXER INDEMNITY.

PROMOTION OF CHINESE AGRICULTURE.

## A COLLEGE PLEA.

From the Dean of the National Southeastern University College of Agriculture, Nanking, we have received a lengthy plea for a position of the British Boxer Indemnity Fund to be invested in the promotion by Chinese agriculture. We quote the following excerpts:—

"The China Indemnity Act, enacted by the Parliament of Great Britain on June 30, 1925, authorising the remission of the Boxer Indemnity, is intended to promote mutual understanding and friendship between Great Britain and the Republic of China, and that such a measure is effective to that end, is recognised by far-sighted people everywhere. To what extent the will of Parliament may be carried out, how far the mutual welfare of both countries are promoted, depend upon the disposition of the funds—a heavy responsibility which rests upon the judgment of your Committee. Happily the grave task has been entrusted to the hands of recognised leaders of intellectual thought in both countries, so that mature consideration of all phases of the intricate problem before the final judgment is passed, is assured. Feeling that your high aims can be served best by the fullest expression of responsible opinion in this country, I beg to lay before you a proposal that will give the friendly gesture of the British people quick and tangible fruition."

"If your Committee is to initiate in China a far-reaching undertaking, which after a period of not more than five years, can assure the greatest physical and spiritual benefit to the greatest number of the Chinese people, and at the same time afford the British people equal benefits, it is my earnest opinion that it is undertaking the promotion of modern agriculture in this eminently agricultural country. The foundation of China is agricultural. Fully 85 per cent of Chinese men and women are tillers of the soil. To spread modern agricultural knowledge, to institute modern agricultural practices, throughout this country, mean the practical recreation of the lives of 300,000,000 people. When Chinese agriculture is effectively developed and efficiently maintained, Britain gains an important new market of raw products so vital to a highly specialised manufacturing country. In my opinion, the will of Parliament limiting the remitted portion of the Boxer Indemnity to such uses as shall benefit both countries can best be realised through the development of the agricultural possibilities of China, her greatest potential contribution to mankind."

To justify this conviction some of the obvious benefits which both Britain and China may reasonably hope to derive from an improved agricultural condition in this country are enumerated in the document sent to us.

The Dean concludes: "To summarise the annual expenditures, the expense of training agricultural experts amounts to \$225,000, that for establishing and maintaining three agricultural colleges amounts to \$1,800,000; and that for financing the farm loan banks amounts to \$1,000,000, bringing the sum to the grand total of \$3,025,000 each year for the period of 15 years. As the result of the support of the Chinese Indemnity Fund during the 15-year period, there shall then be (1) well established and stable farm loan banks operating on a capital of \$20,000,000 for the sole purpose of uplifting the economic status of the farmers; (2) three thoroughly equipped and highly efficient agricultural colleges, founded through indemnity funds and perpetuated by the earnings of the farm loan banks, devoting the whole energies to research, teaching and extension for the sole purpose of making scientific agriculture available to every farmer; and (3) three hundred highly specialised agricultural experts dispersed throughout the breadth and depth of China, who in conjunction with the farm loan banks and agricultural colleges will surely make modern agriculture a potent force for the good of mankind."

"The tremendous exertions of the three million Chinese farmers should be turned to some better

account than the maintenance of a mere animal existence. Scientific agriculture alone is sufficient to turn the frugal industrious millions of Chinese farmers into happy human beings, happy not only in being able to breathe for the first time an atmosphere free from the fear of the inevitable famine—the sword of Damocles for ever hanging overhead—but especially happy in being able to share the fruits of their labours with those whose lines are cast in less pleasant places.

"I am satisfied that nothing less than a magnificent scheme would satisfy the will of a nation of Empire-builders. Devote half the remitted portion of the Boxer Indemnity Fund to quicken the forty-centuries-old agriculture of China—and Great Britain shall reap where she has sown. Let the Chinese tiller toil not in vain—then shall every creature in every part of the globe augment his portion of happiness."

## VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

M. I. and A. C. Co's.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, April 12. Musketry Instruction Classes under Sergeants Watson and Shaw followed by practice on the Miniature Range for those who have been specially instructed to attend.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at A. C. Company.

5.30 p.m. on Monday, April 12. General Instruction For All Ranks.

(a) Vickers Gun drill and mechanism under C. S. Ma Hancock.

(b) Musketry Instruction under Sergeants Watson and Shaw.

Drivers—Driving drill at Happy Valley as detailed by Sergt. Bruce.

Note—It is hoped to perform the Signalling Section in connection with the Company. Anyone interested, especially those on the Mobile Column, please communicate with Lieut. Menckel.

Scottish Company.

Musketry Course Part I will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, April 11, 1926.

Range Officer—2, Lieut. A. K. Mackenzie.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress—Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

Arms—Will be drawn from headquarters on Friday, April 9, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, April 10, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Reconnaissance Cup.

Corps Reconnaissance Cup for 1926 was won by the Engineer Co.

Appointment.

Captain G. E. Swinton, M.C. 1st Battalion The East Surrey Regt.

look over the duties of Adjutant from Captain L. D. Joll, M.C., R.A. on April 7, 1926.

Strength.

The following are taken on the strength, as from April 7, 1926, and posted to No. 2 Platoon (Infantry Company).

No. 1037 Pte. M. D. G. Houre.

No. 1038 Pte. C. D. Wales.

No. 1039 Pte. S. M. Garrard.

Promotions, etc.

The following promotions and appointments will take effect from April 6, 1926.

Armoured Car Company.

No. 273 L/Coryl. J. V. Ramsay, to be Corporal.

No. 573 Pte. V. Goulborn, to be Lance Corp.

No. 5 Platoon.

No. 738 Pte. H. Dineley, to be Lance Corp.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

No. 948 Spr. G. Davidson, Engineer Company from April 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926.

No. 822 Pte. T. E. Jones, No. 3 Platoon from April 10, 1926 to November 9, 1926.

No. 1003 Pte. J. Smith, Res. Scot. Company from April 1, 1926 to September 30, 1926.

No. 221 Serjt. Drmr. W. Brown, Scottish Company from May 1, 1926 to February 28, 1927.

Resignations.

The following are permitted to resign from the Corps:—

No. 543 Corp. A. Forsyth, M. I. Company, as from March 31, 1926.

No. 616 Spr. R. E. G. Nicholls, Engineer Company, as from April 7, 1926.

G. E. SWINTON, Captain.

Adjutant, H. V. D. Corps.

## NOTICE.

Hongkong Rifle League Meeting.

Hongkong Rifle League Meeting will be held at Stonecutters Range on Saturday, April 24, and Sunday, April 25, 1926.

Congressman Johnson, of Indiana, called a colleague an ass, and was ordered to withdraw.

"I withdraw the expression, Mr. Speaker," he said, "but I insist that this gentleman from Illinois is out of order."

"How am I out of order?" yelled the man from Illinois.

"Only a veterinary surgeon could tell you," was the retort.

## MISSION'S LOSS.

DEATH OF MRS. ELIZABETH JUDD.

## ARRIVED IN 1868.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Judd, whose death is announced, was a member of the China Inland Mission for 58 years. Born 82 years ago, Mrs. Judd left England for China in 1867, immediately after her marriage to the Rev. Charles Henry Judd.

When they landed at Shanghai on March 3, 1868, after a three months' voyage in the tea-clipper "Taping," the mission had, in the whole of China, only eight stations and 34 missionaries, including the new recruits. For 27 years she and her husband worked in Yangchow, Wuchang, Chefoo, Chinkiang, and Shanghai. The house which her husband built in Chefoo developed both into a sanatorium and later into a school for missionaries' children, of which one of her sons is now the principal.

The chief work of Mrs. Judd, however, was in Ninghai, 20 miles from Chefoo. She and her husband were twice driven out of the city. The first time the shock nearly cost Mrs. Judd her life, but they persevered and worked there till they left China. The district is a very poor one, in which, in addition to the ordinary work of evangelisation, they felt called upon to do a great deal to relieve the poverty of a population larger than the produce of the area would support.

Mrs. Judd worked indefatigably among the women, and was instrumental in starting a lace industry to add to their earnings. After she and her husband returned to England in 1894, this work developed considerably, and she was actively engaged in England in finding markets for the lace produced.

Mr. Judd died in England in October, 1919. They had six sons, two of whom, Dr. Frederick Judd and Mr. Charles Judd, are on the staff of the China Inland Mission in the mission field.—"N. C. Daily News."

## The State as Housekeeper.

I wonder how many women realise that the State is now a house-keeper? (asks a writer in a London daily.) Down in the cellars of Lancaster House the Government Hospitality Department has stores that would make the average housewife at once envious—and thankful that the responsibility of entertaining distinguished foreign visitors does not fall on her. At one time when the Government invited foreign Ministers or important business people to dinner or luncheon, or to stay in London at their expense, they either hired banqueting halls in hotels, or borrowed someone's house and hired the necessary outfit from a caterer. Now the kitchens of Lancaster House have been partly reconstructed, and a dinner service, cutlery, and glass enough for eighty people has been bought and stored in readiness for use.

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|            |        | HONGKONG   | (ABOUT)                            |
| "DELTA"    | 8,087  | 15th April | Singapore, Penang, Cebu & Bombay   |
| "DYWIDDER" | 8,156  | 17th April | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KALYAN"   | 9,141  | 20th April | Milnes, Vich, Lodon, A'worp & Hull |
| "AMFON"    | 9,173  | 21st April | Singapore, Penang, Cebu & Bombay   |
| "KASHGAR"  | 11,089 | 1st May    | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MAHWA"    | 9,006  | 15th May   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KRYBER"   | 9,114  | 18th June  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MANTUA"   | 10,902 | 28th June  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KARNATA"  | 8,123  | 10th July  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KARNATA"  | 18,583 | 24th July  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "DELTA"    | 11,089 | 21st Aug.  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KALYAN"   | 9,141  | 4th Sept.  | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "MAHWA"    | 10,941 | 18th Sept. | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |
| "KASHGAR"  | 9,006  | 2nd Oct.   | Marseilles, London & Antwerp       |

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## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

|          |        |            |                               |
|----------|--------|------------|-------------------------------|
| "TILAWA" | 10,000 | 26th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "SANTIA" | 7,754  | 30th April | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |

## EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|              |       |          |                                                              |
|--------------|-------|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| "ST. ALBANS" | 4,500 | 4th May  | Madras, Kolkatagan, Sandakan                                 |
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| "KASHGAR"    | 9,006  | 18th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "TALMA"      | 10,000 | 26th April | Kobe                    |
| "KRYBER"     | 9,114  | 30th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "TANDA"      | 8,558  | 1st May    | Shanghai                |
| "MAHWA"      | 10,941 | 14th May   | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "MANTUA"     | 10,902 | 18th May   | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "PADU"       | 5,607  | 30th May   | Shanghai & Kobe         |
| "KARNATA"    | 9,089  | 11th June  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "DELTA"      | 8,087  | 11th June  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "KASHGAR"    | 9,006  | 18th June  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "KARNATA"    | 8,123  | 25th June  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "KASHGAR"    | 18,583 | 2nd July   | Shanghai only           |
| "MAHWA"      | 11,089 | 22nd July  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "KALYAN"     | 9,141  | 6th Aug.   | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "MAHWA"      | 10,941 | 19th Aug.  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "KASHGAR"    | 9,006  | 2nd Sept.  | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| "MORBA"      | 10,918 | 15th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |

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| FROM DALNY AND AMOY.               |  |
| Apr. 12—J. G. L. L. "Hobbes"       |  |
| FROM SHANGHAI.                     |  |
| Apr. 10—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"   |  |
| 11—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 12—B. F. "Pros. Van Buren"         |  |
| 13—A.O.L. "Pros. McKinley"         |  |
| 14—A.O.L. "Pros. Pierce"           |  |
| 15—A.O.L. "Pros. McKinley"         |  |
| 16—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"        |  |
| FROM SINGAPORE.                    |  |
| Apr. 10—B. F. "Talanta"            |  |
| 11—B. F. "Morioness"               |  |
| 12—L.C.S.N. "Yuenagang"            |  |
| 13—B. F. "Lycan"                   |  |
| 14—B. F. "Akron"                   |  |
| 15—B. F. "Antenor"                 |  |
| 16—B. F. "Eurybates"               |  |
| 17—B. F. "Titos"                   |  |
| 18—B. F. "Belcherophon"            |  |
| 19—B. F. "Laomodon"                |  |
| 20—B. F. "Agapenor"                |  |
| 21—B. F. "Tumenas"                 |  |
| FROM SAIGON.                       |  |
| Apr. 12—B. F. "Antenor"            |  |
| FROM MANILA.                       |  |
| Apr. 27—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"   |  |
| May 1—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"     |  |
| 12—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 13—B. F. "Pros. Van Buren"         |  |
| 14—A.O.L. "Pros. McKinley"         |  |
| 15—A.O.L. "Pros. Pierce"           |  |
| 16—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"        |  |
| 17—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| FROM CALCUTTA.                     |  |
| Apr. 14—B. F. "Talanta"            |  |
| 15—J.C.S.N. "Yuenagang"            |  |
| 16—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 17—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 18—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
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| 21—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| FROM JAPAN.                        |  |
| Apr. 10—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"   |  |
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| 13—A.O.L. "Pros. Van Buren"        |  |
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| 15—A.O.L. "Pros. Pierce"           |  |
| 16—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"        |  |
| 17—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| FROM JAVA.                         |  |
| Apr. 16—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"        |  |
| 17—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| 18—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| 19—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| 20—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| 21—J.C.M.L. "Tikimang"             |  |
| FROM SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.           |  |
| Apr. 11—N.Y.K. "Aki Maru"          |  |
| May 7—E. & A. "Tanda"              |  |
| 15—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 16—N.Y.K. "Aki Maru"               |  |
| 17—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
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| FROM SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.          |  |
| Apr. 10—C.P.S. "Empress of Asia"   |  |
| 13—A.O.L. "Pros. McKinley"         |  |
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| 21—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| FROM NEW YORK.                     |  |
| Apr. 12—S. Lind. "Pros. Van Buren" |  |
| 16—A.O.L. "Pros. McKinley"         |  |
| FROM LONDON.                       |  |
| Apr. 10—B. F. "Talanta"            |  |
| 15—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 16—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
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| 20—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| 21—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| FROM LIVERPOOL.                    |  |
| Apr. 13—B. F. "Talanta"            |  |
| 22—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
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| 24—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
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| 31—B. F. "Talanta"                 |  |
| FROM DUNKIRK.                      |  |
| Apr. 12—B. F. "Talanta"            |  |
| FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.               |  |
| Apr. 14—H.B.L. "Hakusan Maru"      |  |
| 15—N.Y.K. "Aki Maru"               |  |
| 16—N.Y.K. "Aki Maru"               |  |
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| FROM MARSEILLES.                   |  |
| Apr. 13—M. M. "Amvros"             |  |
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| 31—M. M. "Amvros"                  |  |
| FROM ANTWERP.                      |  |
| Apr. 12—S. Lind. "Pros. Van Buren" |  |
| FROM HAMBURG.                      |  |
| Apr. 14—S. Lind. "Pros. Van Buren" |  |
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| 31—S. Lind. "Pros. Van Buren"      |  |
| FROM COPENHAGEN.                   |  |
| Apr. 25—E. A. "Tanda"              |  |
| May 7—E. A. "Tanda"                |  |
| June 7—E. A. "Tanda"               |  |
| July 7—E. A. "Tanda"               |  |

### CHINESE LAW.

## EXTRATERRITORIALITY QUESTION.

The following letter recently appeared in the "London Times" from Mr. J. L. Beaumont, formerly of the A.P.C. in China, now practicing as a lawyer at Home.

In your issue of March 2, you publish a letter dealing with the position of British subjects in criminal matters in the event of the abolition of extraterritoriality. The writer refers to the provisions of the Chinese Penal Code and to a "New Criminal Code which has been drafted in Peking." He does not, however, refer to the Provisional Criminal Code, which was promulgated in 1912. This Code is based upon Western systems and, as amended in 1914, contains some 400 articles, of which 21 deal with homicide and causing injury, the punishment being death, imprisonment for life or for lesser periods, and fines according to the nature or seriousness of the offence. This Code, though only claiming to be provisional, is frequently referred to and acted upon, not only in native Courts but in the Mixed Courts at Shanghai, where a Chinese magistrate sits with a foreign Assessor, who is present under Treaty provisions "to see that justice is done."

In addition to the Provisional Code, a large number of laws and regulations have been promulgated since the establishment of the Republic in 1912. These include laws relating to naval and military criminal cases, morphia, commercial associations, arbitration Courts, naturalisation, mining, trademarks, copyright, and patents, as well as to organisation of and procedure in the Courts.

My object in referring to these laws is, in the first place, to do justice to the Chinese Government, which seems to have been sincere in its attempt to bring its legal system as far as possible in accord with the laws and practices of other lands. But it would be very wrong to conclude that because of these efforts China is justified in demanding the abolition of extraterritoriality.

I do not propose to take up your valuable space by quoting instances of "maladministration of justice in the native Courts or to draw a picture of the disastrous consequence to foreigners in China, including the large numbers of missionaries with their wives and children living in the interior, of the premature abolition of extraterritoriality, but I would like to make the following additional remarks.

In view of the vast area of China with over 400,000,000 inhabitants, with no Central Government, and with chaotic conditions throughout the land, the mere promulgation of laws on foreign lines can hardly be expected to satisfy the world at large that the point has been reached at which it can be said that satisfactory laws have been enacted and are satisfactorily administered. There are a few trained lawyers in Peking, Shanghai, and the larger cities, but the multitude of magistrates who are called upon to administer the law know nothing of its provisions. By way of illustration it may be mentioned that a year or more ago, some two years after the promulgation of the Trade Mark Law, a foreign applicant who was taking proceedings in a native Court had occasion to refer to that law. The magistrate dis-

claimed any knowledge of it, and the plaintiff thereupon supplied him with a copy.

It was reported in the Press, a short time ago, that the Chinese Government had decided not to call any evidence at the Commission which was about to sit at Peking to study the question of extraterritoriality, the idea apparently being that consideration of the laws referred to above, with perhaps a visit to a few selected Courts, would be all that was required to satisfy the Commission.

Responsible bodies in China have during the last few years been collecting evidence of the actual administration of the law against the time when this all-important question would be considered, and if the present Commission does actually sit without hearing such evidence, it will be most unfortunate not only in the interests of foreigners trading and living in the country, but also, I venture to suggest, of the Chinese themselves.

Failing the hearing of such evidence, the report of the Commission can hardly carry much weight with the foreign Governments to which its report will presumably be presented.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. L. s.s. "Benlomend" from Middlebro, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here to-day.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Kobe yesterday at 8.30 a.m. "left Kobe yesterday at 8 p.m. and was due at Yokohama to-day at 2 p.m.

The B. L. s.s. "Talanta" left Singapore for this port on April 6 at p.m. and is due here to-morrow at p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on April 3 and is due here on April 21.

The s.s. "Sumatra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.), left Dunkirk on March 16 and is due here on or about April 23.

The s.s. "Ceylon" (Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.), left Antwerp on April 4 and is due here on or about May 12.

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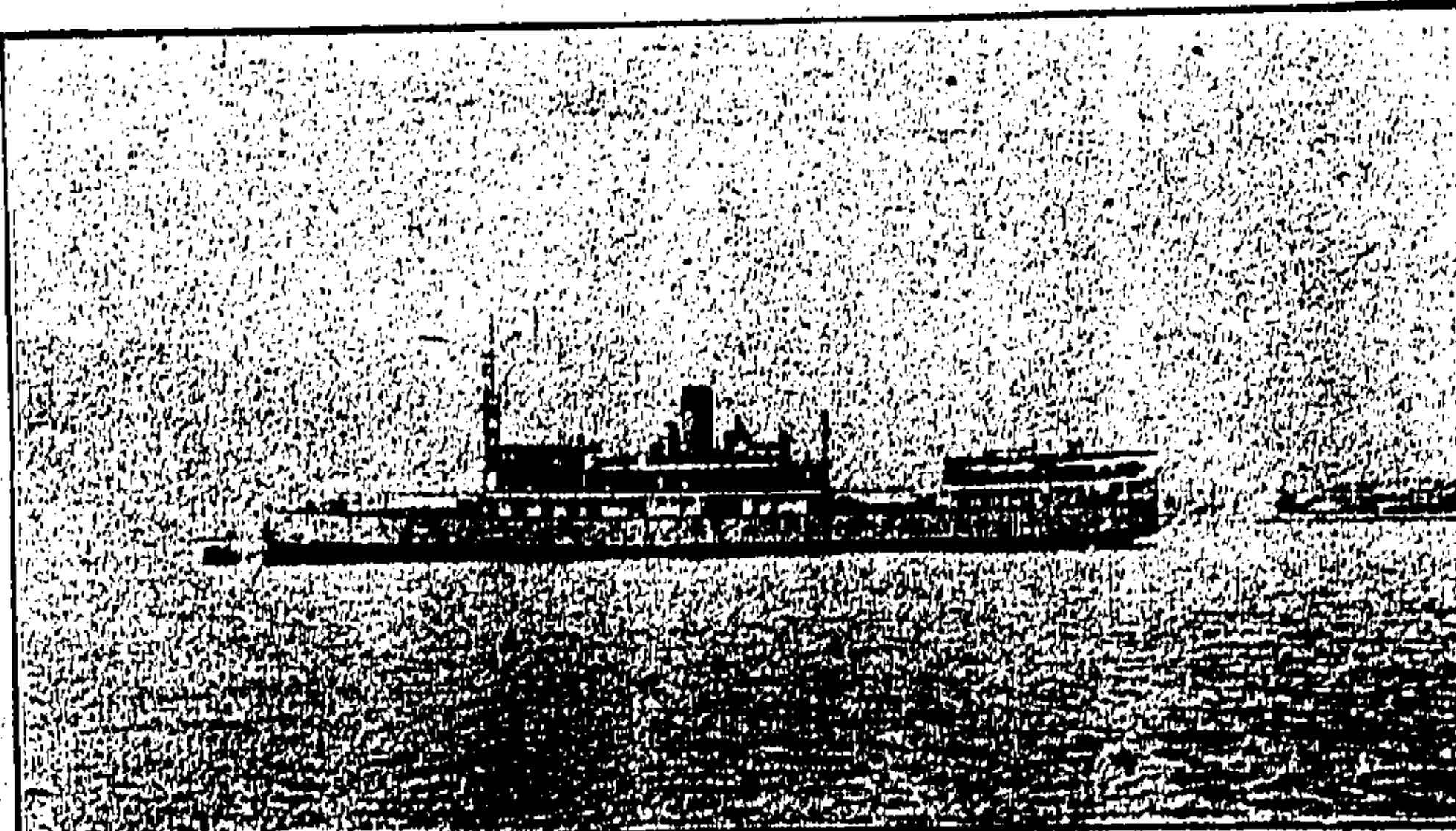
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ANJO MARU ..... Friday, 16th April.

BOKUYO MARU ..... Saturday, 25th May.  
SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan Ports.  
YOKOHAMA MARU ..... Thursday, 15th April.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore & Ports.  
HAKOZAKI MARU ..... Saturday, 10th April.  
HAKUSAN MARU ..... Saturday, 24th April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.  
AKI MARU ..... Wednesday, 21st April.  
MISUMI MARU ..... Wednesday, 10th May.

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TSUYAMA MARU ..... Saturday, 24th April.  
TOKIWA MARU ..... Tuesday, 11th May.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.  
KANAGAWA MARU ..... Wednesday, 28th April.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.  
YAMAGATA MARU ..... Saturday, 10th April.  
TAMBA MARU ..... Thursday, 15th April.

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TOTTORI MARU ..... Friday, 9th April.  
MOJI MARU ..... Sunday, 18th April.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
MISHIMA MARU ..... Friday, 23rd April.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
TOKUSHIMA MARU ..... Saturday, 10th April.  
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wife of Herbert W. Looker,  
M.P., a daughter.

### "P. P. C."

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Holyoak and  
their daughters, Joyce and Dorothy,  
desire to convey cordial farewell  
greetings to their many friends in  
the Colony and sincerest thanks  
for their kind enquiries concerning  
Mrs. Holyoak's health during her  
recent illness.

Hongkong, Friday, April 9, 1926.

### DIVIDED CONTROL?

The more one considers all the  
published and unpublished griev-  
ances in regard to the restrictions  
on dogs the greater grows the  
conviction that there is solid  
ground for the allegation of  
divided control. Each of three  
Departments concerned has been  
an authority on its own, appar-  
ently without any thought of con-  
sulting any other or of ensuring  
co-ordination among all the auth-  
orities concerned in the suppres-  
sion of rabies. There is no doubt,  
of course, that each Department  
has acted conscientiously and in  
what it conceived to be the best  
interests of the community; but,  
unfortunately, instead of "earning  
merit," it has evoked opprobrium  
and given rein to the critics.

The question naturally arises:  
If such a complex and complicated  
state of affairs in respect of  
divided control can so easily arise  
in regard to the outbreak of  
rabies, how far will the condition  
of "confusion worse confounded"  
extend when a matter of even  
more serious moment arises? Will  
the lessons of the present  
controversy have been learned in  
good time to avert what may easily  
develop into a scandal? The  
public is at the mercy of the  
authorities, however well-meaning,  
these may be in the confines of  
their respective Departments.

But an assurance is surely requir-  
ed that in any future domestic or  
civic crisis there will be some at-  
tempt at centralising control in  
order that the respective authori-  
ties themselves, no less than the  
members of the community, may  
know exactly where they stand  
and what is the best thing to do  
in a sudden emergency.

Inevitably the present state of  
affairs raises the question of  
creating a Municipal Council to  
which could safely be entrusted  
the whole civic administration,  
leaving Government Departments  
to cope with questions and prob-  
lems that come more rightfully  
within their purview. With a  
Government official as President  
of the Municipality, as in the  
Straits Settlements, and certain  
members nominated by the Gov-  
ernment, the latter could always  
ensure that its interests were  
amply safeguarded. The whole  
problem of civic administration  
would be set well on the right way  
toward solution, and there would  
be no overlapping by the various  
Departments in the domain of  
purely civic affairs.

Now that we have entered on a  
new era—as witness a new Gov-  
ernor and a new Colonial Secre-  
tary, both of whom "hail from  
Ceylon, which simply abounds in  
Municipalities—this movement  
might well be carefully considered  
in the hope that it will meet with  
the success that it well deserves.  
The fact of even a Sanitary Board  
election being really contested is  
in itself an augury for the  
awakening of the civic conscience  
and of a genuine desire on the part  
of the leaders of the various sec-  
tions of the community to per-  
form their duties as citizens. But  
why be content with a Sani-  
tary Board which can only act as  
an advisory body to the Govern-  
ment? Surely the trend of the  
times points to the establishment  
of a Municipal Council, answer-  
able to the Government for prop-  
er financing and answerable to  
the community for effective civic  
administration.

### MAKING THE MAN.

Whether the Vice-Chancellor's  
dictum that "the better educated  
one was, the better one's manners  
would become," is new, we do not  
know. In any case the view  
should be widely circulated. It  
is something better than the gen-  
erally current idea that a "good"  
education is a means to an end—  
the end being a safe and satisfac-  
tory job—another sop to the  
greatest god of the age—the god  
of getting on. Andrew Carnegie  
said that "No man has the right  
to handicap his son by leaving  
him a fortune," but John Stuart  
Mill's view was that no child has  
any moral claim to anything be-  
yond the best education. The  
"moral claim" will be conceded;  
but the responsibility on teachers  
and parents alike is onerous and

should be observed. Education of  
any section of the community  
should be to cultivate the widest  
and deepest thought possible.  
Often unconsciously perhaps—it  
tends to develop a class conscious-  
ness which is bad for everyone  
concerned. A former lecturer at  
the University thought the insti-  
tution was too much concerned—  
at that time—with turning out  
engineers. Instead of turning out  
men. The idea may still prevail.  
The University, after all, is only  
a moral agent in an indirect sense.  
Its job is to turn out Engineers,  
Doctors, Merchants, etc. But in  
such wise words as invariably fall  
from the Vice-Chancellor are  
students reminded that learning  
without some code of morals,  
manners, or honour is as nothing  
worth. The world may look with  
interest on those who by assiduity  
and perseverance have acquired  
degrees, but is apt to despise them  
if such pursuit of knowledge has  
produced nothing else.

### NEW MEMBER.

#### ELECTION FOR SANITARY BOARD.

##### TWO STANDING.

Consequent on the retirement of  
the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.,  
as a member of the Sanitary Board,  
two candidates have been nomi-  
nated. Dr. F. M. G. Ozorio, proposed  
by Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios,  
and seconded by Mr. C. A. da Rosa;  
and Dr. So Chuen-ho, proposed and  
seconded respectively by Dr. S. Fan  
Lee, and the Hon. Dr. R. H.  
Kotewall.

The election takes place on  
April 12, all whose names appear  
on the jury list being entitled to  
vote.  
Dr. Ozorio had previously occu-  
pied this seat on the Sanitary  
Board for some nine years until  
he resigned last year.

Dr. Ho, who comes of a well  
known family, is a local practi-  
tioner.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

(To the Editor of the China Mail)

Sir,—Not only is it of immense  
value to the Chinese community  
at large, but it should be held as  
a precedent at all times that a  
Chinese member of the medical  
profession should rightly be ac-  
cording a seat on the Sanitary  
Board representing the Sanitary  
interests of the community.  
Though there are two Chinese  
members sitting on the Board,  
it is clear that as they are  
pure business people, it is some-  
what difficult to believe that they  
are well versed in matters apper-  
taining to health and sanitation.  
It is only too true to find mem-  
bers of the local Medical Board  
all medical men. The Sanitary  
Board ought to consist of Govern-  
ment and public medical men.

At the coming election the  
name of Dr. S. C. Ho has been  
put up and I have much pleasure  
in supporting this nomination.  
Dr. Ho has the best interest of  
the community at heart, his pro-  
ficiency in practice is a firmly  
established fact and what is more  
he is a member of the medical  
fraternity and well worthy to be-  
come a member of the Board. I  
wish him every success.

Yours, etc.,

M. T. S.

Hongkong, April 9.

### C.C.C. STUDENTS.

It has been in Canton reported  
that three students named Laan  
Sun-tong, Lei Chun and Ng King-  
man, were expelled from the Can-  
ton Christian College, being accus-  
ed of having "disgraced the  
student body," according to a  
decision arrived at by a meeting  
of the Canton Student Union on  
April 4.

[The report sets out various  
details which seem to confuse  
rather than clarify the alleged  
issue.]

A most enjoyable social evening  
in connection with the Cathedral  
branch of the Church of England  
Men's Society was held last night,  
when there were present over 100  
members and friends the gathering  
including the Bishop, Sir Henry  
and Lady Pollock and a large  
number of Chinese ladies and  
gentlemen. Mrs. Balean played the  
Violin, and songs were contributed  
by the Revs. E. W. L. Martin and  
J. Halward. Games were indulged  
in.

## SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The Hongkong girl  
The Modern must be above sus-  
picion. She does  
not drink cocktails,

seldom if ever smokes and takes a  
keen interest in the three Res-  
idents' Associations. The fol-  
lowing can certainly not be ap-  
plied to her:—

I can swing a six-pound dumb-  
bell,

I can fence and I can box,

I can walk across the heather,

And clamber over rocks.

I can make a score at cricket,

And play hockey all day long.

But I cannot help my mother,

I am not, really, very strong.

If a writer gives a  
name to the villain  
of his next novel,  
any holder of that  
name, as the law stands at present,  
is open to sue him for libel, and is  
likely to win his case against the  
innocent author. To right this  
obvious wrong, the Incorporated  
Society of Authors, Playwrights,  
and Composers is introducing a Bill  
which seeks to make it the law that  
"No action for libel shall be main-  
tainable... unless it is alleged  
and proved that the defendant in-  
tended to or did negligently publish  
such defamatory matter of and con-  
cerning the plaintiff." This should  
certainly protect the author against  
frivolous claims. After all, no  
author in his senses would deli-  
berately mention a living person by  
name. The Bill is to be introduced  
in the House of Lords by Lord  
Gorell, himself an author of dis-  
tinction, and if it passes the Lords,  
Sir William Bell will have charge  
of it in the Commons.

Authors And Libel

Little Miss Muffet  
Saton a tuffet,  
Eating some curds  
and whey;

There came a big spider  
And sat down beside her,  
Which frightened Miss Muffet  
away.

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Wonderful! But she loved being  
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**GOLDEN RULE.**

COOLIDGE GIVES ADVICE TO THE PRESS.

REVERENCE FOR RELIGION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 8.

In laying the corner stone of the new home of the National Press Club, President Coolidge emphasized the responsibilities of the Press in furthering the Government's efforts to maintain harmonious international relations. He urged the observance of the Golden Rule in the things published about foreign countries.

He declared that the Government had taken a step in favour of adhering to the World Court because that was the most practical method of exercising influence and establishing the principle of adjusting international disputes not by force but by reason.

The President appealed for a better understanding among the peoples in the interests of peace. He asserted that America was seeking by what at present appeared to be the only practicable method to promote the international limitation armaments but, whilst there was enmity in the hearts of different peoples, it was useless to expect disarmament.

He concluded by urging that publications should be actuated by reverence for religion, declaring that American institutions rested on that foundation and the Press must minister to that spirit.

**MARITIME LAW.**

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN BRUSSELS.

STATE-OWNED SHIPS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Brussels, April 8.

The International Maritime Conference has concluded with a Convention respecting State-owned ships.

All the delegates were agreed that such vessels, and even warships, should be subject to the same obligations and responsibilities as privately owned vessels; but the Convention provides that warships and also "public" vessels will be immune from arrest. Actions against them can only be brought before the Courts of the State concerned.

Sir Leslie Scott carried a vital point that all vessels in war time, even merchantmen, shall be immune from arrest in order to avert the possibility of vessels being detained in neutral ports on the pretext of legal actions based on flimsy grounds.

**MALVY RESIGNS.**

FIRST BREAK IN BRIAND'S NEW CABINET.

REASON NOT DISCLOSED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 8.

M. Malvy, Minister of the Interior, has resigned on account of ill health.

Letter Not Published.

Paris, Later.

Speculation is active as to the reasons for M. Malvy's resignation which, it is ascertained, has not been occasioned by his ill health. The reasons are contained in a letter of resignation which has not yet been published.

**IDLE LIST.**

ANOTHER BIG DROP IN GREAT BRITAIN.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 8.

The number of unemployed is rapidly falling toward one million. The latest weekly return records a further decline of 25,750. The actual total is now 1,013,600.

**COBHAM'S FLIGHT.**

AUSTRALIA HIS NEXT OBJECTIVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 8.

Preparations are well advanced for the flight of Alan Cobham to Australia. He hopes to start in a few weeks, using the same machine, and probably the same engine, as he used on his South African journey.

**TAKE WITH SWEETENED WATER.**

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**"LOFTY MISSION."**

WHAT MUSSOLINI'S ASSAILANT SAYS.

A DOCTOR'S DISCLOSURE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, April 8.

The Hon. Violet Gibson, was yesterday taken, handcuffed, to the women's prison.

Interrogated, she declared that she had lived in Rome for two years with short intervals. She never saw Signor Mussolini before yesterday, when, considering herself guided by a supernatural force, she accomplished what she believed to be a lofty mission entrusted to her.

This statement is contradicted by an Army doctor, Tavan, with whom Miss Gibson will accordingly be confronted.

Dr. Tavan declared that on March 28, on the anniversary of the Fascism, he saw a white-haired elderly woman resembling Miss Gibson try to approach Signor Mussolini who was addressing a crowd. She was holding a bouquet in her left hand, whilst her right hand was concealed in her pocket. Dr. Tavan prevented her approaching nearer.

Premier's Admirers.

Fiumicino, April 8.

Indescribable scenes of enthusiasm were witnessed this morning on the arrival of Signor Mussolini to embark for Tripoli. Salvoes were fired, ships sounded their sirens, and there were cries everywhere of "Viva Mussolini!"

The populace was so excited that the carabinieri experienced the greatest difficulty in protecting the Premier from his ardent admirers. Barges rank out as Signor Mussolini boarded the Cavour, the decks, masts, and rigging of which were lined with cheering sailors.

A message to the Premier from Signor Crenonesi, Commissioner for Rome, congratulating him on his escape, says "The people of Rome follow you in their thoughts and hearts on your voyage, pointing out to Italy the road to future greatness."

EARLIER CABLES.

Rome, April 8.

Speaking with undiminished vigour and embellishing his arguments with his characteristic picturesque phraseology, Signor Mussolini last night, addressing the Fascist Directory, rejected that the battle was won in Italy. The old parties were routed. But the battle was yet to be fought abroad. He recalled the dictum of the historian Sismondi that people who seize the initiative at a given moment keep the initiative.

For two centuries, he pointed out, the French people kept the initiative. For 150 years Italy had taken the initiative and had spoken to the world in a new voice, therefore, it was not surprising if the upholders of the immortal principles of unbrotherly fraternity, unequal equality and tyrannical freedom united against us. The fight was becoming fierce and decisive. Scattering the remains of the old parties in Italy had been a thankless task, but victoriously enforcing the new principle on the world will blaze the name of our people on the scroll of history. (Francis cheers.)

"My life's motto is: Live dangerously. If I advance, follow me; if I retreat, kill me; if I die, avenge me."

Later.

The news of the attempt on Signor Mussolini has evoked the indignation of the countryside. Townspeople in many places paraded the streets cheering Mussolini. Solemn thanksgiving services for his escape were held in some of the towns.

Many cities were illuminated and beflagged last night.

Thousands of messages of congratulation to Signor Mussolini are pouring in from all parts of Italy and from abroad. The Crown Prince called on Mussolini last evening and congratulated him on behalf of the King.

Lord Ashbourne has telegraphed to Signor Mussolini from Dublin saying: "Miss Gibson's family regret the incident and express profound sympathy."

Later.

Signor Mussolini, after an excellent night, left at 8.30 this morning for Fiumicino, and embarked on the battleship "Cavour" for Tripoli.

**INSURANCE DEAL.**

SUN CO. PURCHASE SAMARANG CO.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 8.

The Sun Insurance Office, have purchased the Samarang Sea Fire Insurance Company which will be continued as a separate entity.

**WAR DEBTS.**

FRENCH MINISTER TO VISIT LONDON.

PREPARING FOR BUDGET.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, April 8.

The visit to London of the French Finance Minister, Monsieur Raoul Peret, which was arranged for next week, has undergone a short postponement owing to M. Peret's presence being required in Paris during the passage of the French Budget through the Senate.

It is anticipated, however, that he will come to London to discuss the outstanding points of the French debt settlement with the Chancellor of the Exchequer before the latter makes his annual Budget statement to Parliament, which has been arranged for April 26.

It is understood that the Chancellor desires to know how much of the standard annuity of £12,500,000 from France can be brought into his calculations for his coming financial statement.

**PRACTICAL PATRIOTS**

NOVEL WAY TO PAY DEBTS OF FRANCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 8.

The newspapers publish the details of a scheme which the Government is said to be considering for a national appeal for patriotic voluntary subscriptions to pay off France's debts. The nucleus of the movement will be a so-called Committee of National Propaganda, presided over by one of France's heroes "whose name is synonymous with victory."

The Committee which is to be non-party would appeal for voluntary subscriptions throughout the country.

"Le Journal" says the financial bill is to be set-rolling by the Government itself, and every penny of the proceeds is to be devoted to paying off France's debt as early as possible.

**DOVE OF PEACE.**

PROBABLE SETTLEMENT IN MOROCCO.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, April 8.

The French and Spanish Governments are actively studying Abd el Krim's recent proposal to send emissaries to receive peace conditions. The concerned offices will endeavour to give it attention in order to hasten a pacific settlement of the Moroccan conflict, in a measure consistent with French security.

The two Governments are negotiating for the adoption of a joint attitude during the pourparlers which probably will take place at Rabat, and are considering the precautions which must precede the pourparlers in case of the failure of these.

France and Spain have always stated their resolve to negotiate with the chiefs of all rebellious tribes, and not Abd el Krim only.

**RACIAL RIOTS.**

500 ARRESTS MADE IN INDIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, April 8.

It is officially stated that 35 are dead, and 500 were arrested in the riots, but the death toll must be materially greater as a number of deaths were not reported to the authorities.

Inter-communal feeling seems now to have definitely subsided. The police report all quiet to-night. No further trouble is anticipated. The life of the city is now normal.

Further Outbreak.

Calcutta, April 8.

Four persons have been killed and ten wounded as a result of a recrudescence of the rioting.

**MANILA FLIGHT.**

SPANISH ACES ARRIVE AT CAIRO.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cairo, April 8.

The Spanish airmen, who are flying from Madrid to Manila, have arrived here.

Chinese Conditions.

Madrid, April 8.

The Spanish and Chinese Governments have reached an agreement regarding conditions under which the Spanish airmen bound for Manila from Madrid, may fly over Chinese territory. It is stated that the conditions imposed by the Chinese authorities are most strict.

**OIL BLAZES.**

SIX MILLION BARRELS ABANDONED.

RESERVOIRS BOIL OVER.

(Reuter's American Service.)

San Luis Obispo, April 8.

The Union Oil Company's plant, containing six million barrels of crude oil, was abandoned to the flames early this morning, when four underground reservoirs, to which the blaze was confined yesterday, boiled over.

The burning oil flowed over the dykes which had been hastily constructed.

Two other reservoirs and numerous surface tanks rapidly ignited.

Struck by Lightning.

Anaheim (California), April 8.

Lightning struck two of the Union Oil Company's tanks here, aggregating a million and a half barrels, which are now ablaze.

**TREE SEIZED!**

FOR VIOLATING PROHIBITION LAW.

A SECRET STILL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

San Francisco, April 8.

The Government agents have seized a giant redwood tree in the mountains near Dyerville, North California, for violation of the Prohibition law.

The tree is 24 feet in diameter, and in a hollow chamber was found a base concealing 50 gallons of alcohol.

The still was running full blast, using kerosene fuel the fumes being conveyed upward through a flue disappearing in the foliage.

The entrance to the chamber was hidden by means of a strip of camouflaged canvas.

The tree now bears a notice informing the public that it is in the hands of the law.

**FORD PROFITS.**

NINE POUNDS CLEARED ON EACH CAR.

FORTUNATE FAMILY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, April 8.

Every Ford car manufactured brings in 19 profit to Mr. Henry Ford, his wife, and son who own the stock of the Ford Motor Company.

According to figures published yesterday, showing that the Company's profits last year totalled \$115,000,000, the Company started in 1903 with a capital of \$23,000.

**KWANGTUNG RAILWAYS.**

Mr. Li Chok-wing, director of the Canton-Samsui Railway, has submitted to the Government a proposal to build a branch line of the above-mentioned railway in order to connect up with the Ning-Yang (i.e., Sunning-Yeungkong, projected) Railway. His report to the Department of Reconstruction is inter alia:—

"The plan of our bureau is to build a branch line from Fatshan passing Namhoi, Shun Tak and Sun Wui to Kongmoon in order to connect with the Ning-Yang Railway line. My predecessor made this proposal but because unruly soldiers occupied the railway, the project was resisted. But now the Nationalist Government lays great stress on the development of the province in every direction. The construction of this branch line would improve the railway and so should not be delayed."

Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio, who for years was a member of the Sanitary Board, is seeking reelection. His electioneering address will be found in our advertisement columns.

A Chinese in the employment of the Netherlands Harbour Works, North Point, received injuries in a motor accident yesterday and had to be sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

A native of Haiphong was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with stealing away from that port to Hongkong on board the s.s. "Hong Sang." Defendant, who pleaded that he was assaulted and left lying on the boat, was remanded to enable him to be sent back.

**BOMB PLOT.**

EVIDENCE OF A WITNESS QUESTIONED.

WOMAN CONVICTED.

The case in which a Chinese fitter and two women were concerned in an attempt to throw bombs in Hongkong at the instigation of strikers at Shumchun was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Major C. Willson.

It will be recalled that early in the proceedings the first defendant was sentenced to five years' hard labour. At a later hearing the prisoner was a witness in the case against the women and withdrew his previous evidence as to the part the women took in the conspiracy by stating that the second defendant, the younger of the two women, had nothing to do in the case.

After hearing evidence, Mr. H. J. Armstrong (for the defence) submitted that there was no evidence to show that the bombs were ever in the suit case carried by the second defendant. Mr. Lindsell pointed out that there was the first defendant's evidence. The point was then raised by Mr. Armstrong and discussion followed as to the admissibility of the evidence of the first defendant. The whole case, relied on that evidence and he submitted that no credence ought to be given to it.

A conviction was registered against the second defendant and she was sentenced to four years' hard labour. The third defendant, an amah, was discharged.

A point raised by Mr. Armstrong that the Magistrates should state a case on the admissibility of the man's evidence was fixed for decision on Saturday.

**Shadows Before.**

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 9—Queen's Theatre: Buster Keaton in "The Navigator".

April 9—Star Theatre: "The Happy Ending".

April 9—World Theatre: "Moon of Israel".

April 10—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.

Sports.

April 9—Interport Soccer, Portugal v. Rest of the Colony, at H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

April 10—Shield finals, Junior and Senior Divisions, H.K.F.C. Ground.

April 11—Volunteer Cricket at University Ground, 10.45 a.m.

April 17—Final round in "Sunday Herald" Cup, between Portugal and England, on H.K.F.C. ground, 4.45 p.m.

April 21—Fifth bi-annual ship's lifeboat race for the "Trevesa" Trophy, 4 p.m.

April 24—Annual athletic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club.

May 1—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

June 5—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

October 2—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

November 6—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Auctions.

April 12—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, Duddell Street, office and household furniture, etc., etc., 2.30 p.m.

April 13—At Lammert Bros., Sales Room, Duddell Street, miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

Company Meetings.

April 10—Nineteenth meeting of shareholders of Gande, Price Co., Ltd., at No. 2, Ice House Street, (St. George's Building) noon.

April 22—Forty-eighth meeting of shareholders of China Sugar Refining Co., in the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co., Ltd., at noon.

Miscellaneous.

April 9—Annual meeting of the Society of St. George, in City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

April 10—Annual dinner of the Civil Service C.C. at Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.

April 12—Muzzling of dogs enforced until further notice.

April 12—Election of new member for the Sanitary Board.

April 16—Meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the City Hall, 4 p.m.

Movements of Steamers.

The E. I. s.s. "Talamanca" left Singapore for this port on April 6 at p.m. and is due here on April 11 at daylight.

The B. I. s.s. "Benrijanes" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here on April 14.

Miss Ruth St. Denis, of the Denishawn dancers who regularly visited Hongkong has been appointed first official dancer to the Court of the Sultan of Johore.

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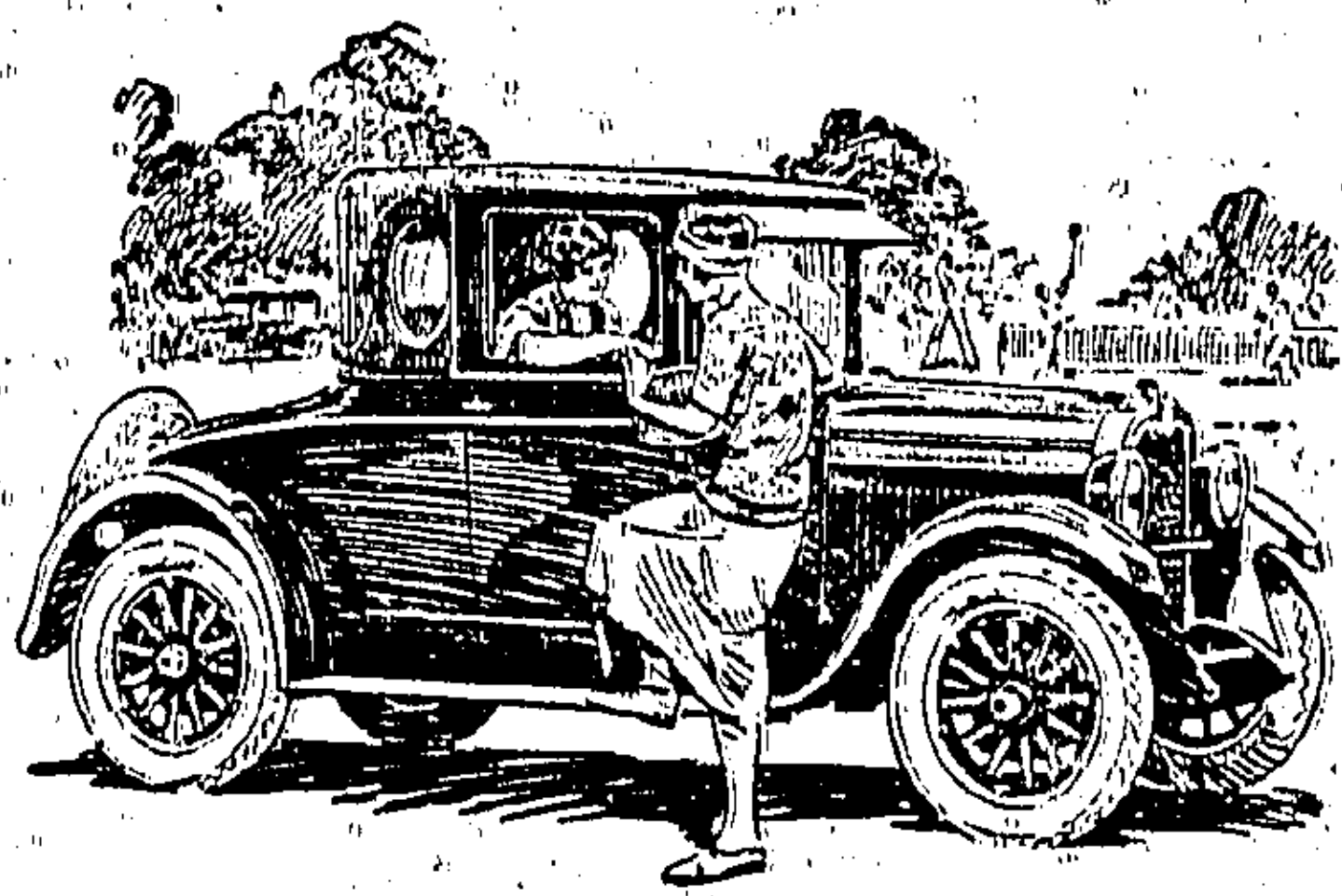
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"Reams," a famous trick cyclist, gives an interesting performance at the 6.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m. shows at the Queen's Theatre.

The inauguration and opening ceremony of the new offices of the Banque de l'Indochine is to take place on Monday, April 19, at 12 noon in the Bank's Building in Queen's Road Central.

A meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held in the City Hall at 4 p.m. on Friday, April 16 to nominate a member of the Chamber to serve on the Legislative Council.

The Queen's programme includes pictures of the recent Fanning races, a Sabat Pellard comedy, and a highly diverting Buster Keaton film, which should not be missed.

Lord Bledisloe, in the House of Lords, moving the second reading of the Land Drainage Bill (which was agreed to without a division), said that, by proper drainage, the value of food produced in Britain could be increased by £18,000,000 a year.

At the International Rugby match between England and Ireland at Dublin when Ireland defeated England after a thrilling struggle by 19 points to 15, the flag flown on the ground by the Irish Rugby Union was a compromise flag with the arms of the four provinces on a blue background.

The construction of a new building to house the Metropolitan Police Board is to begin in April. An appropriation of £10,000,000 has been set aside for the work. The site is near that of the new Diet building, now going up to Nagatacho, Kojimachi, Tokyo. The new building is to be of reinforced concrete faced with red brick and will cover seven and a half acres.

Sir John Merry Le Sage, 25, Ranelagh Avenue, Hurlingham, S.W., for many years managing editor of "The Daily Telegraph," and for sixty years on the staff of that newspaper, who acted as Special Correspondent for "The Daily Telegraph" with the German Army during the Franco-German War, and who died on January 1, aged 88 years, left estate of the gross value of £17,166, with net personally £16,820.

Profit-sharing or co-partnership is practised by 245 firms in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Pictures of golfers going to church and to the golf links are included in the design of two stained-glass windows to be dedicated at St. Nicholas' Church, Walsley. A service is to be held in the church each Sunday for golfers before going on to the links, and the windows are the gift of a golfer in appreciation of the facilities offered for such a service.

Frenchmen looked on wine when it was red, white, grey, or pink last year to the extent of well over a billion gallons. This exceeded all previous consumption records. It is anticipated that this year the nation will use all the wine formerly sold in the United States and Russia, for the 1925 vintage, instead of being put away, was predicted, is said to have turned out to be the best in ten years.

Dr. Elizabeth M. Sloan Chesser, speaking under the auspices of the Parents' Association on the problem of growing up, said: "I know boys of 18, older psychologically than their fathers, and girls more really grown up than their mothers of 40. Perhaps that is sometimes the reason why young people are called 'difficult' by the older generation."

Mrs. Gertrude Burns, who refused her address, was fined £4 at Dover for trying to smuggle a silk and lace dress. It was stated that when she arrived from Calais she said that her dresses were bought in London before she went on the Continent. She eventually admitted, however, that she had bought the goods in France three weeks before for 3,000 francs (nominally £120).

Addiction to morphine or heroin is rare in this country, and has diminished in recent years. This is one of the main conclusions of the report of the Departmental Committee on morphine and heroin. The report says that in a considerable proportion of cases the circumstance immediately leading to addiction has been the previous use of the drug in medical treatment. It is proposed that tribunals should be set up to advise the Home Office whether any doctor's right to possess, administer, or supply drugs should be withdrawn.

"A man accuses me of making love to his wife," declared an indignant bachelor. "Don't!" advised the magistrate.

"It is not enough to use the telephone unless you confirm by letter,"—Judge Bairstow to defendant at Westminster County Court.

A prominent block of buildings in Piccadilly, at the corner of Albemarle Street, with a frontage of 60 ft. to the former thoroughfare, has recently changed hands at a price believed to be between £150,000 and £200,000.

The stone from the church in Stratford-on-Avon, where Shakespeare was buried, has arrived at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine New York and is expected to be placed in the Arts and Crafts Building. The stone was presented to the Cathedral by the Rev. William G. Melville, Vicar of Stratford-on-Avon and Canon of Coventry. It once formed the canopy of the sedilia in the chapel of St. Thomas of Canterbury in Holy Trinity Church, Stratford.

A naval tradition, hundreds of years old, has been broken by the latest issue of Admiralty Fleet Orders. Salt pork, once the staple food of our sailors, has now been removed from the scale of rations for H.M. ships on all stations, and no further issues to the Fleet will be made from the victualling yards. A ration of meat and vegetables (tinned) has been introduced as an alternative to corned beef and its accompaniments when issued as the dinner ration.

Until we see some signs of real endeavour by the Mayor and City Council to better the conditions of the masses of the citizens we pledge ourselves to treat the race with the contempt we consider it deserves.

The above is part of a resolution passed by the Oxford Trades and Labour Council and forwarded to the Mayor, the Rev. John Carter, who has been endeavouring to inculcate a greater respect for the civic emblem by making school children salute the mace. "It is useless," continues the resolution, "to try to instill into the minds of children any respect for the mace as an emblem of civic responsibility and equity while there are 2,000 houseless, and thousands more existing in courts where decency is impossible."

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The name of Mr. F. E. Harmer is added to the Commission of the Peace for Penang.

Mr. Goodman Ambler takes over the headship of Outram-road Schools, Singapore, on April 20.

Mr. J. Stratton Ferrier is appointed to be a member of the Volunteer Advisory Committee, Penang.

Mr. Leong, Sin-kwee has been granted a commission as second lieutenant in the Chinese Companies, S.S.V. Force.

Lieuts. S. T. Liu and Y. H. Yeh and Lieut.-Commr. T. P. Liu have been elected to membership of the Royal Geographical Society.

Mr. A. Jeddies, of Borneo, and Miss Jean Sheila Rose were married at St. Colombe's Church, Port Street, London, on March 6.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Lawrence Alfred Collyer, assistant attendant of the Lunatic Asylum, to Miss Hilda Eva Bugden, who is on her way to the Colony by the s.s. "Malwa."

Mr. O. H. Grove, formerly District Officer, Kuala Pilah, will become Collector of Land Revenue, Seremban, when Mr. E. B. Williams, who is now holding that post, goes on leave shortly.

Captain Benfield, of the Kuching, left by the "Khiva" on Home leave. He expects to be back again in Singapore, towards the end of November, or early in December.

The marriage of Miss Martinha de Souza, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joaquim de Souza, to Mr. Peter Rozario, which was postponed in October last, took place on Tuesday last, at the Church of St. Peter, Malacca.



Friends of James W. Davis, Secretary of Labour, were reported to be growing him for the governorship of Pennsylvania. They tried to get Davis to intervene in the anthracite strike, it is said, so that the prestige thus gained would help him in the election.

Many women, realising that health and fitness bring beauty, are forsaking the beauty parlour for the gymnasium. Health clubs where sunbaths are given are increasing their membership every day and it seems probable that a race of Amazons will soon grow up in London.

"Girls notlogg from school are to be seen drinking, cocktails, champagne and liqueurs, while, in time, whiskies and soda are added to the list of stimulants keep them going." Mostly women of middle age, an audience at the Institute of Hygiene, Portland-place, listened to a crushing indictment of the modern girl by Dr. J. S. Rislen of which the above is one of the counts. It became a national question, he said, "that women should live on excitement, and keep themselves going by alcohol and drugs, with little or no food and next to no sleep."

Mr. G. Savage is appointed to act as assistant postmaster general, Singapore, and Mr. W. Davis to act as accountant, G. P. O. Singapore.

Mr. Justice Horridge has apparently shattered the tradition of judicial ignorance, not by asking what is a grass widow, but by volunteering to define him as a man temporarily separated from his wife and put out to grass like a horse.

Buried in the same grave at Widescombe-in-the-Moor, Devon, Mr. and Mrs. William Easterbrook had their lives linked for over 86 years. They were born within a few days of one another, at farms only a quarter of a mile apart, in May 1839. They went to and from the village school together, were married in April 1861, and a few hours before the husband's funeral the wife also passed away.

The Rt. Hon. Stephen Ronan, P.C., K.C., of Dublin, lately Lord Chief Justice of Appeal in Ireland, whose will is proved at \$83,907, left the major portion of his estate for research in "the cure" and prevention of physical pain by physical means. Alderman Mrs. Ellen Chapman, J.P., of Worthing, Sussex, twice mayor of the borough and a cousin of the late Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, left £30,031. The bulk of her estate goes to Roman Catholic charities. Mr. Henry Charles Lupino, Ballium, the variety star and pantomimist, father of Lupino Lane and Wallace Lupino and uncle of Stanley Barry, and Mark Lupino, left £165. Mr. George William Thatcher, Westminster, formerly prominent in the concert world, father of Miss Heather Thatcher, the actress, left £6,117.

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## SHIELD FINALS.

### TO-MORROW'S SOCCER FIXTURES.

#### WHO WILL WIN?

[By "Dutchie"]

The following is the soccer programme for to-morrow:

#### SHIELD FINALS.

##### Junior Division.

East Surrey Regt. Reserves v. Club de Reineio Reserves (H.K.F.C. ground, kick-off at 2.30 p.m. sharp).

##### SENIOR DIVISION.

East Surrey Regiment v. Kowloon F.C. (H.K.F.C. ground, kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp).

##### League II (Sec. B).

South China v. St. Joseph's College Boarders, Sackamoon (H.K.F.C. ground, 5 p.m.).

When the final stage in the Shield competition has been reached, it is a sign that the local soccer season is nearly over. As a matter of fact, the season should really have been finished by now, but there has been much delay in the various competitions, so that the closing will be later than ever this year.

In the Junior competition, the East Surrey Regiment Reserves again appear in the final round. Last year they met the Kowloon Reserves and successfully disposed of them. In their game to-morrow they meet the Club de Reineio Reserves and they should have the honour of annexing the trophy for the second year in succession. They must not however take matters too easily, for the Reineio Reserves are very fast and pretty accurate in front of goal, and a mistake will make all the difference in a "cup final".

In the senior tournament, the East Surreys and Kowloon again figure as finalists. This is, I think, the fourth consecutive year that the team from the Peninsula has appeared in the final. In 1923, they met the Police and won; in 1924 they met the East Surreys and lost after a replay. Last year they again had the Police as last ditch opponents and disposed of them. In meeting the soldiers to-morrow, they will have a very hard nut to crack, and I am of the opinion that history will repeat itself, without the necessity of a replay.

The soldiers have much the better balanced team, and are more at home on a large ground than their opponents. Mitchell will again make a welcome appearance in the Surreys' team; I understand, however, that he will occupy the right-half position, and McGreevy, who has been playing so well as the pivot, will remain in the centre. Stairs or Chessman will partner Charlesworth on the right, and the rest of the team will be in their usual places.

One other game is down to be played, South China "C" meeting the St. Joseph's College Boarders in the junior "B" section of the League. This game was to have been played last week, but was

postponed on account of the heavy rain. It is anticipated that the Chinese will win.

On Saturday next, April 17, the final round in the "Sunday Herald" Cup will be played between teams representing Portugal and England. The game will take place on the Hongkong F.C. ground, and will start at 4.45 p.m. sharp.

The following team has been selected to represent England in the final round of the "Sunday Herald" Cup: Avery, Wynne, Jordan, Brittain, Sims, Watson, Charlesworth, Howard, Humberstone, King, Bennett, Reserves: Butler, Bristowe.

## LAWN TENNIS.

### YESTERDAY'S MATCHES AT THE H.K.C.C.

A good many matches were played off in the H.K.C.C. tennis tournament yesterday, one of which was that in the open doubles where two very promising youngsters "clashed".

J. Cassambhoy (of the Indian R.C.), who has made great strides, showed what tennis he had in him, bringing into use a number of very useful strokes. His opponent, E. C. Fincher, knew more about court strategy and won. Fincher was also more aggressive, but he was also accurate. The loser will be heard of in the next few years.

Results follow:—  
Open Singles (2nd round):—

E. C. Fincher beat J. A. Cassambhoy 6-4, 8-6, 6-3.

H. R. Conway beat K. Mawatari 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Open Doubles (2nd round):—

R. M. Henderson and A. E. B. B. beat H. H. H. and H. H. H. 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

W. L. Dunbar (scr.) beat T. J. Price (scr.) 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.

[2nd round]:—A. K. Mackenzie (owe 5/6) beat P. W. Greene (rec. 3/5) 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "B" (1st round):—

R. O. Sutherland (scr.) 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

W. L. Dunbar (scr.) beat T. J. Price (scr.) 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.

[2nd round]:—A. K. Mackenzie (owe 5/6) beat P. W. Greene (rec. 3/5) 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Doubles (1st round):—

E. Grimbale and R. Harcock (owe 15/2) beat I. Newton and E. E. Broome (owe 15) 6-3, 6-1.

[2nd round]:—W. E. Cornaby and A. Piercy (owe 2/6) beat G. W. Sewell and E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 3/6) 1-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Today's Fixtures.

Open Doubles (2nd round):—

H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn (holders) v. H. Owen Hughes and G. W. Sewell.

E. Grimbale and R. Harcock v. K. Mawatari and H. H. H.

Club Singles (2nd round):—

H. J. Armstrong v. Major W. B. Stevenson.

## HOME HUNT FATALITIES.

(via Colombo.)

London, March 20. During the past three months three women have been killed as the result of hunting accidents.

The latest victim, a skilled rider, was the wife of Major James Sidney Mason, of Market Harborough. While out with the Fernies foxhounds her horse stumbled after clearing a fence. The rider fell from the saddle on her head and broke her neck.

## A STADIUM.

### HOW SINGAPORE DOES THINGS.

#### ASSOCIATION'S REPORT.

Two or three years ago, the project of a Hongkong stadium was mooted but never took shape. If this should catch the eye of any enthusiast of those days, it may give him added interest.

The report of the Singapore Stadium Association for 1925 (as published in the "Strait Times") states:—

The working account for the year shows an excess of income over expenditure of \$1,149.65. During the year 63 matches were played on the ground and the gross receipts were \$15,414.82.

Under an agreement with the local clubs 30 per cent. of the net gate receipts is paid to the competing clubs in each particular match, and the payments made under this arrangement together with the percentage of receipts paid to outside clubs amounted to \$5,197.35.

A special match was played on behalf of the Children's Aid Society, and the Charity benefited by \$1,090.20.

Of the sundries and charges amounting to \$5,019.08 the principal items of expenditure were:—Salary of clerk \$387.50, kebans and special coolies \$830.80, prizes \$760.67, entertainment of visiting teams \$341.33, hire of chairs \$380, transport \$300.

The ground was kept in good order but owing to the poor soil it will be necessary to maintain expensive top dressing for a year or two.

The grand stands are in good order but the dressing accommodation for the teams is very bad indeed, and if interest is to be maintained expensive improvements will require to be made this year.

## STRANGE BILLIARDS.

Conceding half the points in an exhibition game of 600 up at the Engineers' Institute last night, Mr. George Gray, the Australian billiards professional who has been among the best in the world, lost to Mr. W. Brown of Kowloon Dock by the remarkable margin of 255-600.

In other words, Mr. Brown beat the professor on level terms. It might have been that Gray found the table "disagreeable" but his disappointing display takes a lot of explaining. Luck was against him now and then when he missed a shot by the proverbial hair's breadth but there were openings galore at which he broke down.

Mr. Brown played a steady and consistent game to get his points. At the interval, he led by 473 to 160.

Highest breaks were:—Mr. Brown 17, 16; Gray 23, 17, 15 (twice).

Bix: What's your idea of an optimist?

Dix: A dead-broke individual ordering oysters in the hope that he can pay for his dinner with the pearl.

First Fisher: Is this stream private?

Second Ditto: No.

First Fisher: Then it won't be a crime if I land a fish?

Second Ditto: No, it'll be a miracle.

## DOCTOR'S DEFENCE.

### DRUG PATIENT'S NAME WITHHELD.

#### "ENTIRE PROFESSION BEHIND ME."

Dr. George Chadwick Kingsbury, of Elm-court, Temple, E.C., appeared before the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House to answer a summons under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, alleging that he had failed to enter in his register the name and address of a person to whom he supplied morphine. Mr. H. D. Roome, for the prosecution, explained at the outset that by the express instructions of the Director of Public Prosecutions the charge conveyed not the slightest reflection on the personal honour of Dr. Kingsbury, who was both a registered practitioner and a barrister-at-law.

"The sole point in this case," said Mr. Roome, "is that Dr. Kingsbury has declined, and still declines, to disclose, either in a record in schedule form or in a day-book, the name and address of a patient for whom he has for over 12 months been in the habit of procuring morphine at the rate of about 20 grains a week on an average."

MORPHINE PURCHASES. Mr. T. W. Cleave, director, and manager of Butcher and Kurnow, Ltd., chemists, Tranquil-vale, Blackheath, said that on December 21, 1923, Dr. Kingsbury began to buy morphine. He bought 10 grains. When asked for whom the drug was required he replied, "Mr. Brown." He declined to give the address.

"Knowing him to be a barrister-at-law, I thought he knew the law better than I did," said Mr. Cleave. (Laughter). The purchases continued until last month.

Dr. Kingsbury: You quite understood that "Brown" was a fictitious name, and a mere formality—I knew it was fictitious.

You quite understood that I had no intention of disclosing to you or anybody else the name and address of my patient?—Yes.

"MONSTROUS" PROSECUTION. Addressing the court in his own defence, Dr. Kingsbury submitted that the Home Office regulations were never intended to apply to a case like his—that of a physician who was administering a drug under his own supervision. Where a physician was doing as he had done—treating a patient who was trying to break the habit of drug-taking—it was "monstrous" that he should be dragged before a court of law to answer such a charge as this.

He gave up medical practice twenty years ago and came to London from Lancashire. He had made a special study of the drug-taking disease and had been successful in effecting cures.

"It is," he declared, "the sacred duty of a medical man never to disclose the confidence of a patient, and I never will. Every consulting physician in London is doing the same as I am, and will continue to do so. The entire profession is behind me."

The Lord Mayor said in his opinion there had been a breach of the regulations. He would treat this as a test case and indicate a nominal fine of £26 5s., with £10 10s. costs.

Notice of appeal was given.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### FROM MELBOURNE.

The following is a list of Passengers arrived per s.s. "St. Albans" from Melbourne on April 8.

Melbourne to Hongkong: Chow Chin-shu, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Cheek-yin and two children.

Sydney to Hongkong: Mr. H. E. McGowan, Mr. R. Winterton, Mr. and Mrs. Gray and child, Miss C. D. Ferguson, Mr. Beatty, Mrs. J. Fihelly, Mrs. H. Leahy, Miss P. de Ew, Mr. G. Roure, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hartmetz, Mr. H. A. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbertson, Mr. A. Gould, Miss E. M. Parr, Messrs. Wong Wai-chen, Kum Shaw, Norman Lim, Wong Ping-chin, Ah Hong, A. Jong-kee, Wee Chow, George Yow, Ah Lee.

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SIR GUY GAUNT

Friends of Admiral Sir Guy Gaunt, the famous British spy catcher during the war, were conducting an action-wide search for him in the United States. They said that he has not been heard from for a year.

Manila to Mojito: Mrs. P. K. Shaw, Sydney to Yokohama: Mrs. M. Thomas, Miss M. I. Lewis, Mrs. Robinson, Miss G. Archibald, Mrs. P. N. Reckitt, Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. A. Beveridge, Miss L. E. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Richards, Mr. H. Field.

Sydney to Mojito: Prof. D. A. Dyakoff, Mr. D. P. Katcheff, Mrs. Katcheff and Master Katcheff, Mr. R. S. Dakoutchaff.

Sydney to Kobe: Mr. T. Nava, Mr. A. OKI.

Townsville to Kobe: S. Nitta, 66 Chinese Deck Passengers for Hongkong.

## FROM MANILA.

List of Cabin Passengers arrived from Manila per s.s. "President Cleveland" to-day.

Mr. Chan Bo, Mr. J. L. Boyle, Mr. Go Chat, Mr. Ty Sam-chun, The Misses Ty Hoon-chay, Master F. Ty Hoon-chay, Miss P. G. Chin, Mr. and Mrs. Hoon-chay, Miss C. Diago, Mr. P. Diago, Mrs. C. A. Diago, Mr. T. F. Damman, Mr. Ty Sam-chun, Mrs. Ruth A. Gruber, Mr. Tim Gun, Mr. Walter Halsall, Mr. R. A. Honra, Mrs. J. P. King, Mr. John Karston, Mrs. E. Loeffel, Mr. M. H. Lin, Mrs. Anita H. Meade, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Margetta, Mr. P. P. Pratt, Mrs. B. Payster, Mrs. G. Perkins, Miss Jean B. Smith, Miss Clara L. Perkins, Mr. Chas. H. Perkins, Mrs. M. R. Smolt, Mr. J. R. Singlinger, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Tyler, Mr. Chin Tsung, Mr. Que Tek, Mr. Jgo To, Mr. Soong Kiang-yin, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Williams, Mr. Fred. Warner, Mr. Ty Shong-yun, Mr. Ty Mat-liao, Mr. V. Uy Yna, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Yates, Mr. Robert A. Yates, Master D. Yates, Mr. Ong Ching-yok, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ergholt.

List of Passengers arrived from Manila per s.s. "President Jackson" to-day.

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Commander Evangeline Booth, head of the Salvation Army in America, was reported to be gravely ill in New York. Friends kept her whereabouts a secret in order to insure perfect quiet.



MRS. ESTHER SYZNAK.

Mrs. Esther Syznak, pictured with her children, was beaten unconscious by a mysterious slagger in New York. An excited lunatic, rounded up by a posse, is believed to have been the slagger. Several other women also were victims.



SUZANNE LENGLEN.

Suzanne Lenglen, the world's lady tennis champion, was showered with flowers at Cannes after she defeated Helen Wills, American champion, in the hardest fought match of her career.



WILLIAM H. TAFT.

Chief Justice William Howard Taft, the former U.S. President, was reported ill at his home in Washington with a heavy cold.



EMIL ST. GODDARD.

Emil St. Goddard, the famous dog team driver, won the annual The Fox dog derby by a margin of two and a half minutes. The course is 66 miles and the finish was one of the closest in history.



VIRGINUS ST. MAYO.

After serving eight months of a three-year sentence, Virginus St. Mayo, a wealthy sixty-five-year-old radiator manufacturer of New Haven, Conn., was paroled from Sing Sing, where he was sent for bigamy. He fought through the courts for eight years to avoid going to prison.



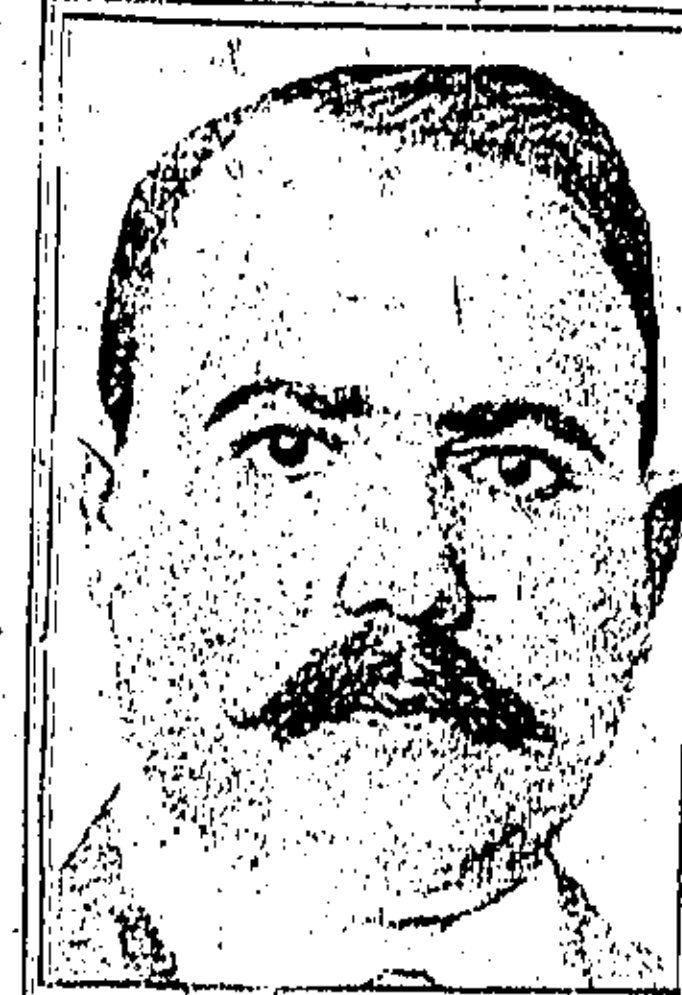
MITCHELL TO LECTURE.

A civilian again, after twenty-eight years in the U.S. Army, William Mitchell, the former Air Service colonel, signed a contract with James B. Pond for an extensive lecture tour.



GEOFFREY H. TASKER.

Hundreds of police and friends sought trace of Geoffrey H. A. Tasker, fifteen, the son of a wealthy Yonkers, N.Y., realtor. Young Tasker, who already has made a name for himself as a brilliant student and inventor, is believed to have been drowned in the Hudson River, as his raincoat and gloves were found in an abandoned rowboat.



GENERAL OBERGON.



REX GOODCELL.



SIR HARI SINGH.



CHANCELLOR RAMEK.

General Alvaro Obregon, a former Mexican President, has announced that he will seek the office again at the coming elections. Rex Goodcell, an Internal Revenue collector at Los Angeles, will be a candidate for Governorship of California. Sir Hari Singh, unmasked as the mysterious "Mr. A" in the sensational Robinson scandal in England, has ascended the throne of Kashmir. Chancellor Ramek's guarded speech before Parliament at Vienna is believed to have closed the Tyrol incident between Austria and Italy.

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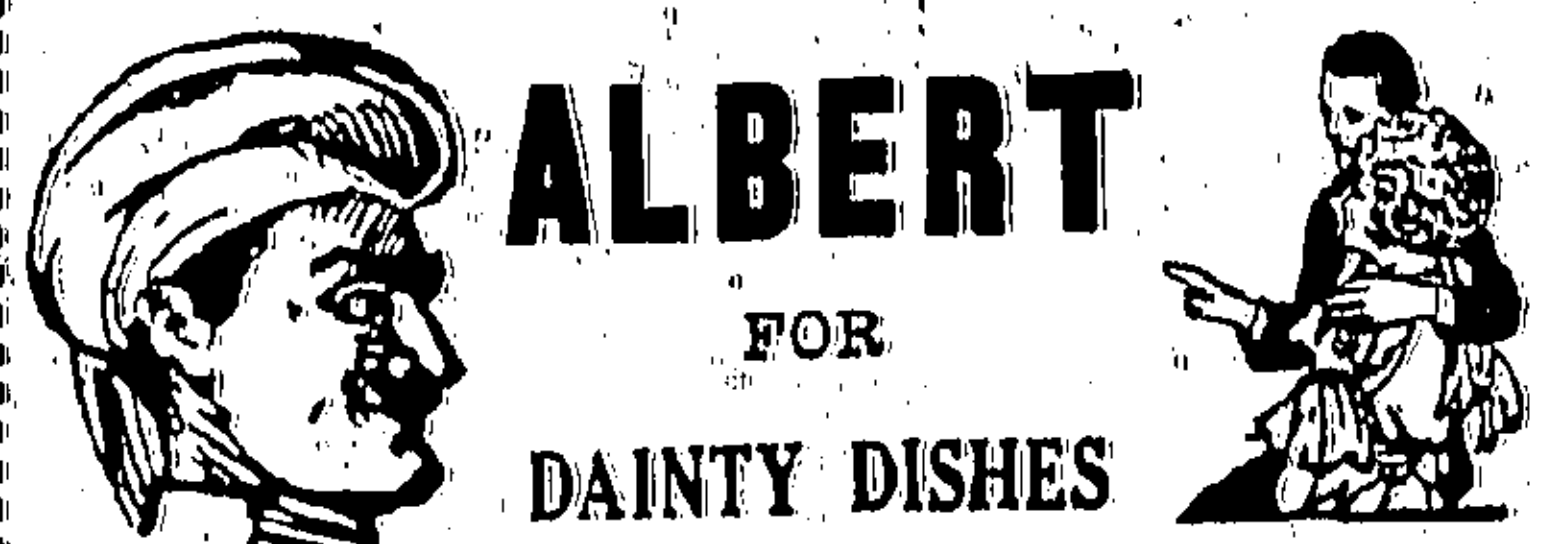
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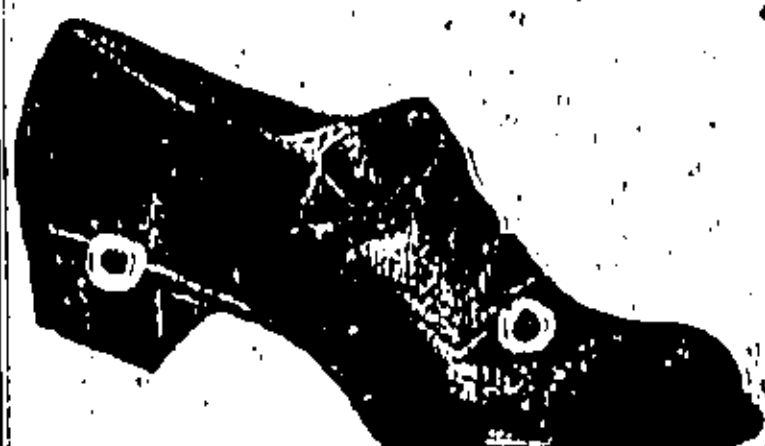
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It is said that there is nothing new under the sun, but I have attended dinners that to me had a certain novelty, says Lieut. Colonel P. T. Etherton, in the "Daily Mail." In China dried rats are esteemed a delicacy. I was told they restore the hair when you are bald; while a stewed black cat will ward off a fever. But the *pièce de résistance* at one of these banquets was a number of newly born white mice served alive, to be dipped in treacle and swallowed like a prairie oyster.

It is pleasant to turn from white mice, black cats, and hashed dog to the Loh Nor country, on the confines of Mongolia, over which a veil still hangs. The Loh Nor people displayed a natural hospitality towards the stranger within their gates, and Escoffier could not have given me a better dinner. The menu was fish from the lake and fried to a turn, an entrée of wild-ducks' eggs, young shoots of bulrushes deliciously cooked in fat, tiny meat dumplings steamed in a copper pot, and wild fruits.

**AUSTRALIA.**

"Among the natives of Northern Australia lizards roasted on the point of a spear are a delicacy, while in Alaska no dinner is complete without a bear steak."

In Bokhara, the land of fair women and beautiful carpets, they do things on a big scale, for the principal dish, on which all present concentrate, is a huge sheep roasted whole and served in a sitting posture on a silver. This the host attacks with a scimitar, dealing out long strips from the back and neck.

In Turkistan, a vast territory in the heart of Asia that is still very much of a sealed book to the rest of the world, we come in contact with strange tribes, and weird customs that are as marvellous as an Eastern fairy-tale. I once dined with the Commander-in-Chief of that fascinating land, and the banquet hall was decorated with priceless silks, cloisonné ware, and slabs of green jade that must have been worth a fortune. The leading dish was shark's fins served with sauce and decidedly tasty. Then came pigeons' eggs, stewed with mushrooms, sea slugs with at least a hundred legs, stag's tendons, eggs preserved in chalk—the older the egg the greater its value—sea-weed, bamboo roots, fermented eggs, and grilled rats.

**TIBET.**

A diner can have a religious as well as a more mundane aspect. At a Buddhist monastery in the mountains north of Tibet, where a gathering takes place once in seven years, soup is prepared for the pilgrims on the great day of the festival. It is made in cauldrons seven or eight feet in depth and as much in width, and as the final act of devotion, and piety, the "most aged" of the monks will plunge into the boiling cauldron and so become part of the soup. There is then a rush by the pilgrims to partake of the course, for not only will it cleanse them from all unrighteousness, but it carries with it a passport to Valhalla.

Have you ever tasted pilau, a delectable mixture of cooked rice boiled in fat with sliced mutton, carrots, spices, and dried raisins? If not, you should dine with the Kandahis, a Moslem people of the Maudai sect, whose spiritual chief is that well-known figure in our racing circles the Aga Khan. It is curious to think that this wild and remote people in the far north of India, whose customs have scarcely changed in 1,500 years, should have as their spiritual head the genial sportsman so familiar to us.

They were off to the race-course, and meeting at the station, one was surprised to see the other carrying a camera. "What's that for—to photograph the horses?" "No, the bookie," was the reply.

**DON'TS FOR YOUNG  
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Don't give baby a sleeping draught, soothing mixture or opiate of any kind except by order of a competent doctor who has seen the child. All these things are dangerous.

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**VERY LITTLE EXPENSE.**

Mr. J. C. C. Davidson, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, announced in Parliament in March week that the cost of recovering the \$4,958,000 from the White Star liner "Laurentic," which sank in 1917 off the west coast of Ireland while being used as an auxiliary cruiser in the war, was only \$138,000, including a bonus of \$6,739 to the officers and men concerned.

The work of the divers was begun in 1917. But the "Laurentic," a vessel of 14,000 tons, which had been acting as an auxiliary cruiser, was lost in a spot exposed to the full fury of the Atlantic, in 20 fathoms (120ft.) of water.

For months at a time the work of the divers was stopped by storms, and much of the treasure had to be literally snatched away during a lull in the gales.

The work was done from the Admiralty salvage vessel "Racer," 1,000 tons. Lieut. Commander E. L. B. Damant, R.N., himself a diver, was in charge. Comdr. Damant has since received the thanks of the Admiralty for his work, while several members of his crew of about 50 have been decorated. It is interesting to recall the loss of the "P. and O. liner "Egypt," which sank off Ushant after a collision in May 1922. She carried gold and silver valued at \$1,054,000, an attempt to recover which is probable in the first half of this year.

**Motor-Pullman—And A Gun.**

For the first time a motor-car journey across the Sahara has been accomplished which proves the possibility of crossing the desert in comfort. Lieut. Etienne has taken safely across the Sahara a six-wheeled Renault Pullman car, so named because of the manner in which it is arranged, (says a Paris report in mail week). This motor-caravan is fitted with eight Pullman seats, which at night give place to eight cots. At the back of the car are all modern toilet facilities, with running water, and so that the safety of the passengers may not be neglected a machine gun is placed on the roof. Lieut. Etienne had then arrived at Bourm, on the Upper Niger. In a telegram he stated that the material more than fulfilled expectations and that the journey across the desert was effected with a load of 7 tons.

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| From     | FRIDAY, APRIL 9. | From                                            |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Shanghai | 8.30 a.m.        | Singapore                                       |
| Shanghai | 10.30 a.m.       | Wuhu                                            |
| Shanghai | 12.30 p.m.       | Empress of Australia                            |
| Shanghai | 2.30 p.m.        | Hakozaki Maru                                   |
| Shanghai | 4.30 p.m.        | Europe via Nagasaki (Letters and Papers London) |
| Shanghai | 6.30 p.m.        | Talamba                                         |
| Shanghai | 8.30 p.m.        | Angkor                                          |
| Shanghai | 10.30 p.m.       | Pres. Van Buren                                 |
| Shanghai | 12.30 a.m.       | Pres. McKinley                                  |
| Shanghai | 2.30 a.m.        | Yuenang                                         |
| Shanghai | 4.30 a.m.        | Pres. Pierce                                    |

#### OUTWARD MAILS.

| To                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | FRIDAY, APRIL 9. | Time      |
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| Fort Bayard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 8.30 a.m.        | 4 p.m.    |
| Amoy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 10.30 a.m.       | 5 p.m.    |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 9th May. Registration 8.45 a.m.                                                                                                                                  | 12.30 p.m.       |           |
| Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central & South America & EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C. 18th Apr. and Europe via Siberia (Letters and Postcards specially super-imposed "Via Siberia" only). Papers Noon. Registration 8.45 p.m. Letters 8.30 p.m. | 2.30 p.m.        |           |
| Honolulu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 4.30 p.m.        | 8 p.m.    |
| Fort Bayard, Hoihow & Halphong                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 6.30 p.m.        |           |
| Saidou                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 8.30 p.m.        | 8.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 10.30 p.m.       | 9 a.m.    |
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#### HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

**A GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS** will be held on **FRIDAY, the 16th April, 1926**, at 4 o'clock p.m. in the **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL**, to nominate a Member of the Chamber to serve on the Legislative Council during the absence from the Colony of the Honourable Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK.

Notice in writing of the Names of candidates and their proposers and seconders to be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,  
M. F. KEY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1926.

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**THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING** of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on **THURSDAY, 22nd April, 1926**, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

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#### SANITARY BOARD.

#### FORTHCOMING ELECTION.

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To the Electors of Hongkong, Gentlemen.

Having served as a member of the Sanitary Board from 1916 to 1924, I beg to solicit your vote at the forthcoming election which takes place at the Supreme Court on **MONDAY, 12th April** from 4 to 6.30 p.m.

As you must be aware, I am no stranger, either to yourselves or to the sanitary problems of the Colony.

During my former terms of office (I was elected on three consecutive occasions) I was fortunate in securing the passage of several measures which since have been of great benefit to the community. I refer to the introduction of motor transportation for the removal of refuse and the greater use of the water carriage system.

I have the requisite knowledge, the experience of procedure in connection with the Sanitary Board and the will to work hard in the interest of all classes.

I have been and will always be ready to receive and to act upon any and every reasonable suggestion in connection with matters of health and sanitation in the Colony.

In conclusion, I again thank all those of the general public who were good enough to return me to the Sanitary Board on previous occasions, and I trust that at the forthcoming election, I shall still retain their confidence.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr. R. M. Sheriff c/o Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, from Philadelphia.  
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